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Improvement Seen In Condition of Premier Churchill

Daily Bulletins Will Tell of Progress Against Pneumonia

LONDON, Dec. 16 (AP).—Prime Minister Churchill has been stricken with his second attack of pneumonia in ten months, and is under the care of three physicians, including a heart specialist, somewhere in the Middle East, an anxious British people was told today.

Taking members of Parliament completely by surprise, Deputy Prime Minister Clement Attlee announced in the House of Commons that Mr. Churchill, who celebrated his seventieth birthday with President Roosevelt and Premier Stalin on November 30 at Teheran, now was ill with a patch of pneumonia in the left lung.

Attlee read to hushed members of Parliament this official bulletin issued at 10 Downing Street, the Prime Minister's official residence:

"The Prime Minister has been in bed for some days with a cold. A patch of pneumonia has now developed in his left lung.

"His general condition is satisfactory so can be expected."

This country offered prayers for a speedy recovery. The gravity of Mr. Churchill's illness was underlined by announcement that daily bulletins on his condition would be issued.

An evening announcement from 10 Downing Street was even more encouraging. It was issued at 7 p.m. (11 a.m. P.D.T.) and said:

"The Prime Minister has had a good night. There is some improvement in his general condition.

"Signed Moran, D. Pitt Bedford (Brigadier), R. J. V. Pulvertaft (Brigadier-colonel)."

ISSUED AFTER MORNING EXAMINATION

A secretary at 10 Downing Street read the second bulletin as issued after an examination of Mr. Churchill this morning. Lord Moran is the Prime Minister's personal physician.

Without disclosing the exact whereabouts of the Prime Minister except that he is in the Middle

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Croix de Guerre

General Malsheret, head of the Fighting French military mission in Great Britain, presenting Sgt. Jerome Bichard, of Richvale, Ont., with the Croix de Guerre he was awarded for gallantry at Dieppe.

69 Killed in Double Wreck Of U.S. Trains

Many Armed Services Personnel Victims

LUMBERTON, N.C., Dec. 16 (AP).—Two crack Atlantic Coast Line passenger trains piled up in an early morning wreck near here today, killing at least 69 persons and injuring upwards of 50.

C. O. Bibley, vice-president of the railroad, said at the company's headquarters in Wilmington that the known dead included 48 members of the armed services and 21 civilians.

He added that 15 injured were taken to Parkerville hospital, 30 to Lumberton hospitals and others to the Laurinburg-Maxton Army Air Base Hospital. A report from the air base hospital said more than 20 had been brought there for treatment one of whom had died.

Among the injured were Mrs. Stanley B. Call and baby, of Tupelo. The extent of Mrs. Call's injuries, or those suffered by her baby, were not learned immediately.

More than 17 hours after the wreck, there had been no announcement of the cause of dead. Military police barred reporters from a mortuary in Red Springs, near here, where the bodies were taken after being removed from the wreckage.

A number of persons also in the Atlantic Coast Line officials for details

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From Europe Day by Day

THE TIMES, London

News and Comment on International Events selected from The Times daily and published in The Daily Colonist by special arrangement with The Vancouver Daily Province.

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LONDON, Dec. 16.—The Germans have renewed their attacks in the Kiev salient, where their tank forces are trying new tactics, so far, however, with little result.

The Red Army has reacted strongly and dislodged its enemy from several strong points.

The main Nazi assault, says The Times Moscow correspondent, is southward of Malin, where General Vatutin's forces are holding well despite the loss of Radomysl. It may give the Germans control of a good road connected with the Kiev-Zhitomir highway.

The Red Star's military commentator describes how Von Manstein's tanks now advance simultaneously in long parallel columns intended to pinch out sections of Russian front.

Other tanks are dug into the ground among the infantry to meet counter-attacks by Russian tanks.

The capture of Cherkassy was a remarkable feat. The Germans fought with unexampled tenacity, but the Soviet troops isolated the garrison to whom supplies had been dropped by parachute.

Final attacks were made at night from islands in the Dnieper. Guer-

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Nazi Soldiers Stand Trial in Kharkov Court

Russian Traitor Also Accused of Killings

MOSCOW, Dec. 16 (AP).—Trial of a group of German soldiers, and a Russian accused as a traitor, on charges of slaying Soviet citizens during the Nazi occupation of Kharkov, was begun in that city before a military tribunal of the Ukrainian front, it was announced today.

The Germans were captured during the Red Army offensive in Kharkov Province. The Soviet press, which gave page-wide spreads to the trials, and the first four defendants—three Germans and the Russian—all had pleaded guilty.

Others are to be indicted and tried.

Dispatches said the three Germans and the Russian in the Kharkov trials all took part in "dushegubka"—murders of several thousand citizens. A dispatch said 30,000 people were killed but not all by the dushegubka method—forcing persons into trucks, sealing the vehicles and filling the trucks with carbon monoxide through tubes from the running motor.

The prime lodgy carried photographs of numerous corpses in shallow trenches.

A dispatch said that an "examination of 623 bodies proved that 523 were killed in a specially-built truck gas chamber."

Japs Quickly Overpowered as U.S. 6th Army Lands on New Britain in Surprise Attack

Death of Gallant British Warship

Just released by the censors, this photo shows the end of the 31,000-ton British battleship Prince of Wales, which sank off Libya in November, 1941, after enemy torpedoes crashed into her. She disappeared in a cloud of smoke with a loss of over 800 men, only 361 being saved.

Supported by Sea And Air Forces

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Southwest Pacific, Dec. 17 (Friday) (AP).—The United States Sixth Army, commanded by Lt.-Gen. Walter Krueger, smashed ashore at Arawe, on the south-west coast of New Britain, Wednesday at dawn, supported by sea and air forces.

"The enemy's surprise was complete and his resistance was quickly overcome," said Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Allied commander in the South Pacific, who directed the operation from his base on an island off the North New Guinea coast.

The United States troops clinched their hold on the peninsula of Japan's defenses in the Southwest Pacific.

The tons of bombs on Arawe and islands in the harbor used up in one day before the landing.

If the seven members of the day before had not subdued the defenders, the pre-invasion hammering given Arawe by the Allied Air Force of Rear Admiral Barbedor Amphibious Force and by Allied bombers and fighter planes served to eliminate or destroy most of the opposition.

Ground resistance was extremely light, MacArthur said. Most of the casualties were among the first assault groups who were sniped at by rubber boats.

JAPANESE BOMBERS ATTACK BRAZILIAN

At 8 p.m. Arawe time, a dozen Japs finished their work and turned for home. Japanese bombers with fighter escort came over to attack the beachhead and the surface craft. Two of the planes were shot down.

The invasion was achieved without the loss of a single Allied plane or surface ship, MacArthur's communique said.

With the American troops were establishing a base which, MacArthur said, will be used for the surface command of Vitiaz Strait.

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Bombers Smash at Berlin in Great Night Assault; Nazis Admit Damage

"Terror Attack on Considerable Scale," Reich Capital Radio Says

LONDON, Dec. 17 (Friday) (AP).—The Air Ministry announced early today that R.A.F. bombers blasted Berlin for the last night for the fifth major attack on the German capital in less than a month, following a United States heavy bomber raid in great strength against Germany's northwest corner.

It was learned that several squadrons of R.C.A.F. Lancasters participated in the attack.

The Air Ministry announcement came after the Berlin radio reported that R.A.F. bombers struck at the German capital in a "terror attack on a considerable scale."

The German radio said: "British bombers tonight again attacked the capital of the Reich. The attack is described in Berlin as a terrorg attack on a considerable scale. Well-informed circles point out it was carried out in poor visibility. Residential quarters of the capital again were hit. Details of the attack are not yet available."

Below a report of the raid came from Stockholm, where a neutral managed to telephone around 11 p.m. after the Berlin communication was resumed with the outside world following a blackout of two hours.

In the last R.A.F. assault on Berlin, December 2, 1,500 tons of bombs were dropped by hundreds of bombers. The big R.A.F. bombers have been idle since December 2, when they attacked Leipzig in considerably

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Did Not Tell Own Colleagues

LONDON, Dec. 18 (CP).—Mr Churchill, who takes fuse, did not tell his own Cabinet colleagues of his illness until Wednesday night. It was learned

There was a possibility that the War Cabinet would have to name an acting leader

The Daily Express said:

Although there is no cause for alarm, the Prime Minister's illness will mean his absence from arduous public duties for a long time. He may have to delegate permanently a good deal of work he has been doing himself."

While the Prime Minister's exact whereabouts was still an official secret, The Daily Mirror quoted the German satellite Vichy radio as saying Mr. Churchill was ill in Cairo.

U.S. Planes Help Chinese

CHUNGKING, Dec. 17 (P.—Aided by almost continuous activity by American planes, Chinese troops in the rice bowl area west of Tungting Lake are pressing their efforts to surround Japanese remnants still retreating from Changsheh.

The Chinese High Command announced today that several Japanese detachments already had been trapped near Lihsien (Lichow) and declared "their annihilation is merely a matter of time."

Severe fighting has developed in the suburbs of Anxiang and Nanshihsing, two lakeside towns which the Chinese are attempting to recapture.

American fighter planes dive-bombed and machine-gunned the airfield at Yoc Ow, Japanese base on Northern Hainan, destroying three bombers on the ground and damaging three other planes.

Other United States fighters made low-level attacks against two other bases from which Japanese never launched his attack against Chungking.

One formation of American bombers ranged over the Gulf of Tonkin, off the Indo-China Coast, sinking a tug and probably sinking a schooner.

NEW DISORDERS

CAIRO, Dec. 16 (AP).—Renewed disorders in Southern Greece have been reported following a demonstration by 300 women against German orders to shoot ten hostages in Kalamata as a reprisal for the wounding of a Gestapo agent. Information from Greek and British sources said the Germans killed and wounded some of the women and then shot the hostages at Tripolis.

Paralyzing Smash at Austrian Rail Yards

Junctions Blasted in Concentrated Attack—Canadians Move Up in Italy

ALGIERS, Dec. 16 (AP).—The slender railroad thread linking Germany and the tenth Nazi army in Italy was tangled yesterday with an "accurate and concentrated" attack by the United States 15th strategic air force on rail junctions in Austria and the Brenner Pass.

More than 300 bombers and fighters hit railroad yards at the world-famous ski resort of Innsbruck in the Austrian Tyrol.

Those paralyzing blows which left railroad yards a jumble of wrecked and twisted equipment where it would hurt the enemy worst, took the war spotlight in the Mediterranean as Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery's British Eighth Army and Lt.-Gen. Mark Clarks Allied Fifth Army pushed slowly and laboriously deeper into German defenses below Rome.

Canadians and Indians of the Eighth Army struggling forward from their bridgehead across the Moro River near the Adriatic Coast, flooded the road between Ortona and Orsogna in three places and reached a good position to bring heavy pressure on the blasting port of Ortona, which the Nazis apparently had fired in anticipation of its evacuation.

The Eighth Army was able to throw some tanks into its drive on Ortona. Four German tanks were destroyed as French-Canadian

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Newspaper by Microfilm Now

LONDON, Dec. 15 (Reuter) — The Daily Mail announced today that it would soon inaugurate a weekly trans-Atlantic edition printed in New York "as a contribution to the closer understanding of the British and American people."

The Mail said the edition would be a digest of the week's issues assembled into magazine form, photographed on microfilm and flown to New York.

Lack of Defence Caused Loss of Ships at Bari

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP).—Lack of adequate aerial defenses, especially fighter planes, around the support port at Bari, Italy, is revealed to have cost the Allies 17 cargo ships and 1,000 casualties two weeks ago today.

The anchored vessels were blown up like sitting ducks by a handful of German bombers which made a devastating low-level attack on the harbor at dawn December 2. Approximately 1,000 persons were killed or injured.

If there were any losses to the force of 30-odd enemy assault planes which made the attack they could not be determined here. Information on the defeat released here by War Secretary Henry Stimson, dealt only with United Nations losses.

This gave rise to the assumption, which was unconfirmed, that the raiders probably escaped scot free.

It must be reported that one of the nation's weaknesses was its lack of fighter plane protection and it is doubtful whether there were any fighter squadrons in the air over the vital area that morning. The Royal Air Force is responsible in that sector, which is a supply area for the Eighth Army, and is understood to operate on the principle that fighter strength should be concentrated in the fighting zone rather than devoted to guarding rear areas.

This principle has generally been successful because of weakening German airpower in the Italian battle zone. Bari was a different story, however, and Stimson took his press conference.

He said we have definite air superiority in Southern Italy and in most of the Mediterranean, the Germans have apparently increased their air strength in this area (sharp Bari attack, there or elsewhere, have been taken.

While no one undertook to regard the Bari raid as anything but an outstanding success for German aviation, there was some disposition to minimize. This was the fact reported by Stimson that "most of the ships had been discharged prior to the attack, and the loss of supplies was not great."

RAID MARSHALLS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP).—United States Army heavy bombers raided the Japanese bases at Tarawa and Wake in the Marshall Islands yesterday, shot down two of 30 interceptor enemy fighter planes and probably shot down eight others. One American plane was lost.

BULLETINS

RUSH TROOPS

ALGIERS, Dec. 16 (—A field dispatch today said the Germans had rushed mountain troops from Bosnia to the bulge in their defences against the heavy pressure applied by the Allied Fifth Army in Italy. The reinforcements were identified as units last heard from at Leningrad early in November.

TO LAY OFF 1,000

NOBEL, Ont., Dec. 16 (CP).—Approximately 1,000 of an estimated 2,200 employees now at work in Defence Industries, Limited, here will be laid off by January 31, 1944, it was disclosed today by plant officials following yesterday's announcement from the Munitions Department in Ottawa that munitions work will be released gradually starting January 1.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C., Dec. 16 (CP).—First action for damages in connection with the crash of the Canadian Pacific Airways plane near Chilliwack, B.C., December 20 1942, was filed in Supreme Court today. Kathleen May Smith issued a writ on behalf of her husband, Arthur Ernest Smith, killed in the crash. Mrs Smith is seeking general damages of an unstated amount.

Nazis Quickly Overpowered Kiev Garrison

Tanks Lead Way Into Ukraine Capital

MOSCOW, Dec. 16 (AP).—Tanks led the Red Army's drive into Kiev, Ukrainian capital, Moscow announced tonight, Berlin, meanwhile, reported a third Soviet drive on the seething White Russian front.

The Moscow midnight communique said that in the Ukraine German infantry was dispersed with heavy casualties in an attempt to cross an unnamed river in the area south of Malin and east of Radomysl, where the Russians are holding the Teterev River line.

Eight hundred Germans were killed in this area the communique said.

To the south, in the two Russian drives on the rail towns of Bendy and Kirovograd, Soviet forces killed 900 Germans, battered back German counter-attacks and captured several hundred and some military booty.

Soviet airmen raided the railway station of Smela and blew up an enemy train, the communique said.

The Germans who previously had reported two big Soviet offensives under way in White Russia, held today at the launching of a third near Mogilev.

BERLIN LISTS THREE ASSAULTS

The three assaults, perhaps the beginning of a Winter offensive, toward the Baltic were said by Berlin to be

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Berlin Reports Third Red Army Drive on White Russian Front

LONDON, Dec. 16 (AP).—The Russians have scored decisively by breaking up a German attack on a water barrier, perhaps the Teterev River about 55 miles west of Kiev, and their enemy attacks have forced the Nazis out of several more towns in the Kiev bulge, Moscow announced tonight. Berlin, meanwhile, reported a third Soviet drive on the seething White Russian front.

Italians Defeat German Forces

AT ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS NEAR MIGNANO, Italy, Dec. 16 (AP).—Italian troops won their first victory today over the Germans in the Second Great War in a joint attack with United States forces on a mountain which formed a barrier to the Allies raving into the Liri Valley and Cassino.

The Americans who had fought their way across Mount Maggiore, attacked at dawn on the western and southwestern slopes and the Italians attacked at 9 a.m. from the southern slopes. The objective of the Italians was a hill on the eastern end of a four-back ridge stilling alongside the main road to Rome.

The Italians reached their objective at 11 30 a.m. But they were so cautious they did not announce the area had been taken until an hour later when they had mopped up the sector and made contact with Americans who had fought their way from the west.

First reports said that at least 100 Germans were killed and 60 captured in the combined attack. The operation represented a comeback for the Italians, who were stopped in their first attack up a mountain on December 6 with heavy casualties.

Small Lead for Social Crediter

RED DEER, Alta., Dec. 16 (CP).—David Cox, Innisfail School vice-principal and Social Credit nominee, held a 72-vote lead in the first complete count in the Red Deer provincial by-election today. Live a total was 2,168, against 2,033 for W. J. Kopp, Independent, and 1,243 for Alderman E. O. Johns, C.C.F.

Voting was under the single transferable vote system, and the second count will be made at Innisfail next Monday.

To Cut Quality Of Gasoline For Civilians

TORONTO, Dec. 16 (CP).—Old Crankcase R. Gasoline will be sold at 30th annual meeting of the Canadian Automobile Association today that quality of gasoline will be refined in the next five days, but that it is hoped gallonage available for gasoline ration coupons will not be reduced.

He declared the supply situation is bleaker now than at any time since the war began.

Blocks of gasoline or heavy oil are less than 50 per cent of normal and we are going to have difficulty in retaining our present position," he said. "I can only hold out an encouraging picture as to the supply of the Canadian Armed Forces' needs."

Crying statistics: Mr Cantrelle said every 1,000-plane raid uses 4,500,000 gallons of gasoline. One raid on Hamburg used 9,000,000 barrels. Every high octane gasoline saver in our day as many as 30 planes left an Atlantic airport for overseas and each required 1,000 gallons.

There were also Royal Navy and Canadian army needs, he said, so that civilians are fortunate that they have any gasoline at all.

We are short of gasoline and having difficulty getting it."

Highlights of World News...

By The Canadian Press

AERIAL.—R.A.F. raids on Berlin, Berlin Thursday night, Germany's capital by a "terror attack on a considerable scale." United States heavy bombers better Nazi-occupied Germany Thursday, rail junctions in Austria and Brenner Pass Wednesday.

RUSSIA.—Russian forces Germans from several more towns in Kiev bulge, Nazis admit. Three Russian drives under way in White Russia.

ITALY.—Canadians and Indians of Eighth Army on Ortona-Orsogna road in three places. Fifth Army regains Mignano 8 miles south Sangro.

PACIFIC.—Establishment of United States beachhead on Arawe, New Britain, Wednesday announced. Allied bombers Japanese other bases in Rabaul, New Britain, New Ireland, Kavieng, Kieta, Buka, Bougainville. United States heavy bombers raid Japanese bases in Marshall Islands.

BRITAIN.—Churchill 12 with pneumonia, condition is reported as satisfactory or one no expected.

Bravery Forecasts Conservative Win

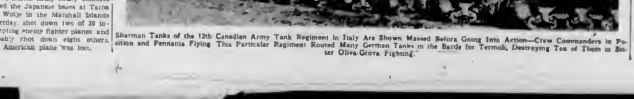
WINNIPEG, Dec. 16 (CP).—John Bracken, National Progressive Conservative leader said in an interview tonight that a strong Dominion general election within the next few weeks would give his party the largest group in a new Parliament.

Mr Bracken estimated the Progressive Conservatives probably would win 100 seats, the Liberals approximately between 50 and the C.C.F. perhaps 50; with the balance—40 seats—being divided among the Bloc Populaire of Quebec, independents and other groups.

The interview followed a public reception at which more than 1,500 persons met Mr. Bracken.

RELIEVED BY ROYALTY

LONDON, Dec. 16 (AP).—Maj.-Gen. George Vanier, Canadian Minister to the French Committee of National Liberation and the Allied Governments in London, was received today by King Haakon of Norway and Queen Wilhelmina of The Netherlands.



Sherman Tanks of the 12th Canadian Army Tank Regiment in Italy Are Shown Massed Before Going Into Action—Crew Commanders in Position and Pennants Flying. This Particular Regiment Routed Many German Tanks in the Battle for Termoli, Destroying Ten of Them in Better Olive-Grove Fighting.

Canadian Tanks Line Up Ready for Action in Italy

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Given D.F.C. Bars By His Majesty

WITH THE RCAF. SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND, Dec. 16 (AP).—Leaders of two Canadian fighter units recently grounded their Spitfires long enough to visit London and receive bars to their D.F.C. from the King at Buckingham Palace.

They were Wing Cmdr. R. D. McNair, of North Battleford Sask. who now holds the equivalent of three D.F.C.'s and has destroyed 14 enemy aircraft, and Hugh Godefroy of Toronto. Also present to have the D.F.C. pinned on his chest and kiss with HIS MAJESTY was Sqdn. Ldr. Robert Burkham, of Vancouver, leader of the Canadian Wolf Squadron, which flies with Godefroy's wing.

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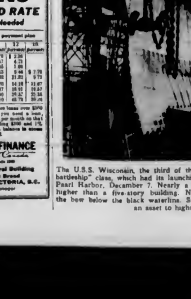

The U.S.S. Wisconsin, the third of the United States Navy's "biggest battleship" class, which had its launching on the second anniversary of Pearl Harbor, December 7. Nearly a city block long, her bow stands higher than a five-story building. Note the bulbous construction at the bow below the black waterline. Such construction has been found an asset to highspeed ships.

Saanich Candidates Address Electors at Final Meeting

FINAL shots in Saanich's hectic municipal political campaign were fired by ten reeveship, council and school board aspirants at a meeting last night at Hampton Hall, Saanich, before approximately 60 ratepayers.

Abolition of the ward system, revision and the Elk Lake water projects were discussed again at some length, with a variation of opinions expressed by the many speakers.

Reeve Edward Charles Warren, seeking return to the office of chief magistrate, reiterated his stand on abolition of the ward system and the accession question, stating that he felt the matter should be sidetracked until hostilities ended in order that the men now fighting overseas would have a chance to voice their sentiments on such contentious matters.

He defended the Elk Lake water project, and also himself for the criticism thrown his way for raising the improvements tax. Dealing with the latter question, Reeve Warren stated that he tied the vote three times, but finally had no alternative than to make his decision, in accordance with the municipal act.

Had he failed to act, he stated, the Provincial Government would have been compelled to put in a commissioner, and that he added, would have cost the municipality a lot of money. I did the vote as long as I figured it was wise and prudent to do so.

Reeve Warren said he did not act on the petition for abolition of the ward system, as he did not believe it was representative of the people of Saanich.

He touched on the postwar projects, stating that the council had made plans for works costing approximately $2,500,000, and suggested that the Dominion Government would take care of some of the costs.

IN DISAGREEMENT WITH PRESENT BODY

Leslie H. Pinsonneault, former reeve and councillor, contesting the reeveship, said he was in disagreement with the policy of the present reeve and council. He spoke of increasing revenues in practically all departments, and remarked that "our standing all these advantages your council has seen fit to raise your taxes this year." They have levied taxation on land and raised it on improvements," he added.

The reeveship aspirant charged Reeve Warren improved the Municipal Act in not acting to realign the boundaries of Ward Two, due to the heavy assessment in that ward.

Speaking of the petition to abolish the ward system, Mr Pinsonneault asserted that Reeve Warren said that the 1,400 voters' names were not representative of the people of Saanich. Yet, the speaker added, he was elected Reeve Warren last year.

Reeve Warren and no other member was responsible for allowing the 50 per cent improvements tax to go through. By so doing he allowed the farmers to dominate the municipality. If you elect me I am going to select a sane improvements rate, and I think 45 per cent is adequate. Yet three men running for the position of reeve, I am the only one who has never asked for an increase in the improvements tax, he emphasized.

John Watson, third reeveship aspirant stated that Saanich residents were the most inefficiently represented, having enough time to give each individual problem the attention it needed. He added that if elected he would be able to devote his full time to the business of the municipality.

Touching on the much discussed topic of secession, Mr Watson said: "The inner wards never objected to secession and never complained when they saw on the council." but if it is to be dealt with, I'm for making Saanich should be allowed to vote on the question."

He spoke in favor of ward abolition, but felt that as far as the Elk Lake project was concerned, material costs were too high at the present time.

He criticized the loaning of municipal tools, and stated there was a laxity somewhere for such things to go on. On the matter of sewerage Mr Watson stated that "We all need it." He also suggested that the council should try to bring industry to Saanich in order to provide work for the children when they grow up.

SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES

Mrs E. M. Bryce, seeking re-election to the school board, outlined her work on the building and grounds and home economics committees, on which she served for the last two years. Many repairs had been carried out, and improved playing facilities provided, she asserted.

Speaking of the home economics study Mrs. Bryce told of the success students are making, and mentioned the benefits of such valuable training.

Dealing with the revised salary schedule for teachers, the speaker said that it had been responsible for removing dissatisfaction among the instructors, and while taxes went up a little at the first, she felt improved salary conditions have created very favorably for all concerned.

Saanich schools have 500 more students than before prewar days, and at the present all of the staffs are being worked very hard. Mrs Bryce added. She touched lightly on the crowded conditions, and reminded her listeners that we have to face the building programme before many years."

Martin Neilson, school board chairman, also seeking re-election, spoke of the increased school population and overcrowding. Speaking of insurance costs, Mr. Neilson advocated municipalities carrying their own insurance as a means of saving costs of such an important item.

Bert Waude, school board aspirant, consisting Saanich $7,500 yearly for transportation, he cited, and pursued that in areas where schools are badly crowded a building to accommodate the students would be erected for the annual transportation costs.

He favored supervised play and ample playground, and believed in school discipline. Speaking of technical training, Mr. Waude adopted the policy of being careful not to go into it on too large a scale at the moment, but was certainly in favor of such training.

As a means of saving money, Mr. Waude advocated advance purchases of supplies and a move for the conservation of school books.

M. F. Paine, school board candidate, stated he had worked hard during the last three years to secure the salary revision for teachers, and expressed the opinion that the added costs of the scheme was money well spent."

"Being a building contractor, he added, I feel my experience would be valuable to the board in the matter of building, and some of our schools will need rebuilding, he asserted.

In closing, he stated that he believed in co-operation between the school board and the council, and will always work with that in mind if elected at the polls tomorrow.

Edward Charles Head, seeking a one-year term on the school board, stated he had been a resident of the municipality for 40 years. Most pressing problems in school matters were transportation, school population and postwar projects, he stated. "I would implement any measure that would tend to help the school children, and be willing to work for the betterment of, or do my best for the welfare of all concerned," he asserted.

Kenneth W Williams Richmond, Ward Seven councillor seeking re-election, said he had work done during the year, and spoke of the increase in taxes, remarking that the value of improvements are continually going up.

He told his listeners that he made a motion to set the improvement tax at 40 per cent instead of the 50 per cent now in force, but received no support from the council. Such a levy, he stated, would have been a saving of $8,000.

Dealing with the garbage question, which he termed very unsatisfactory at present, Councillor Richmond added: "A great many dump it on the side of the road. I don't agree with that. It is a health menace." If you want a garbage collecting system it will cost you $4 a year more, he asserted.

Answering his critics on the lighting in Ward Seven, Councillor Richmond stated that there was a $7,500 annual appropriation is used for lighting, and that the ward had more lights than any other ward in the municipality. He admitted that 200 more lights would be needed to make the lighting effective, but read correspondence showing that materials were not available at present.

He favored abolition of the ward system and was opposed to the Elk Lake waterworks project, he added.

William Brockington, first opposing the present incumbent in Ward Seven, stated that the most vital and urgent need at that time was more lights. "We have women who have to go out on dark streets at night because we are living in a backwoods place," he stated. He said People of Victoria point to Saanich as the "land of darkness" and the "land of the junior." he asserted. I will fight to obtain a better lighting system, he added.

Talking up the question of the inferiority of the municipal roads, the speaker stated "that may be true, temporarily, but that condition will clear up as soon as necessary speeds up and materials are available.

"I take the stand that in co-operation with other councillors that much can be done to make a brighter place to live in in night as well as day."

He spoke of the increased taxation over a period of years, but stated that he had not noticed a corresponding increase in public services. He felt that much money was wasted in the transportation of materials, and if elected, would see if a system was made in the hauling of such materials. If elected, he continued the "best possible administration within the realms of my economy."

E. Wilkinson acted as chairman and kept the meeting in perfect order at all times.

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Canadians in Italy

Members of the Canadian 48th Highlanders, Private J. A. Eastman, left, and Sgt. F. E. Ralph, Toronto, pause in front of the Savoy Theatre, in Campobasso, Italy, attracted by the current screen offering of "Lady Hamilton." So many Canadians have passed through Campobasso or spent several days there awaiting a return to the battle lines that the city has been dubbed "Canada Town" or "The Maple Leaf City."

Results of Civic Voting Through British Columbia

By The Canadian Press

BURGESSES of 17 British Columbia cities went to the polls Thursday to choose mayors, councils, school boards and police commissions. Other cities which did not vote either elected their civic slates by acclamation when nomination closed Monday or voted earlier. Municipalities vote Saturday.

One of the earliest results was the accession of the re-election of W. M. Mott as Mayor of New Westminster Mr Mott moved in with victory, polling 3,303 votes compared with 1,707 for J. L. Saunders.

The mayoralty battle was close in Prince Rupert, where H. M. Dwyer, Labor nominee, defeated Hector McKay. The complete unofficial count was Dwyer 418 and McKay 348.

Results included:

Duncan—Mayor, George H. Bayne by acclamation. Aldermen, Frederick W Hanson (132) and James C Wrigg (131) elected, Aid. Robert K. Cairns (121) defeated. School Board, William J. Long by acclamation.

Ladysmith—Mayor, E Jameson, by acclamation. Aldermen Frederick White (165), Alf R S Joyce (138) re-elected, Walter Sierb (136) defeated. School Board, three vacancies. Mrs. Helmi Koutia, by acclamation. Two unfilled vacancies. Registered voters, 621, vote polled, 231, by plebiscites.

Nelson—Council (three to be elected) A H Alan (648) Toronto, Aid T. H. Waters (548) re-elected, Aid J. E McKenzie (479) re-elected. Aid G Thompson (441)

At Nelson voters approved in a plebiscite a by-law calling for expenditure of $30,000 for fire-fighting equipment. The vote was 409 for and 293 against.

Rossland—Council (three to be elected) J R Corner (314) re-elected, H W Lefevre (282) elected, Aid A Darby (141) elected. Defeated were L. T Nimack C Skinner. G Brainger W Kean. H. R. Lloyd. School Board (two to be elected) Trustee A Turner (231) re-elected, R. Allen (171) elected. Defeated were R Maitland, R R Lloyd.

Prince Rupert—Mayor, H M Dwyer (416) elected, H. McKay (348).

New Westminster—Mayor Mayor W. M Mott (3,303) re-elected J L Saunders (1,703); council (three to be elected) A. E Courtney (1,903) elected. P Jackson (1,845) elected, F M Phillips (1,835) elected. E C Mills (1,184). J Grenall (946). C Yates (648). J. Anderson (539), H. Charles (462).

Prince George—Council (three to be elected) Aid W R Mutten (208) re-elected. Aid P D Tabor (206) re-elected, W E Kirschke (118) elected. L Prosse (102). D Robertson (100). School Board (two to be elected). Trustee J Nicholson (124) re-elected, Trustee Mrs C S Aitken (138) re-elected, O E Bjelke (110).

Courtenay—Mayor, M S Stephens (275) elected, R C Lees (198). Council (three to be elected), Aid B Williams (235) re-elected, Aid C. Browning (231) re-elected, W R Spratt (210) elected A O. Chisen (198), A J Taylor (178). School Board (two to be elected). Mrs H Simms (280) elected Trustee R Simpson (189) re-elected, Mrs T Simpson (189).

Vernon—Council (two to be elected) Aid C Johnston (324) re-elected, F B Coombs (238) elected, Aid C W Gaunt-Stevenson (246), A R Smith (151).

Port Moody—Council (three to be elected). L. A Hudson elected, H. H. Latworth elected C E Hutchinson elected, L. C Gravardon defeated.

Port Coquitlam—C B Darby elected, Mrs J Manuel elected, J W Chilcott elected, J. Davidson defeated.

Cranbrook—Mayor, Mayor A J Baimes (396) re-elected, C E MacKinnon (190). Council (three to be elected). R. E. Fang (243) elected, E W Hobbs (235) elected, Aid W J Flowers (220) re-elected, M McFarlane (212), Aid O J Knight (107), W J Wilson (107). School Board (two to be elected). Dr W A Pergle (273) elected, Mrs W J Wilson (180).

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"Inflation Fair" Pays Dividends

With ice cream cones prayed at a ceiling price of $500 and hot dogs selling at all-time high of $1.000, the Cammun Branch of the Junior Red Cross at the Central Junior High School staged a highly successful "Inflation Fair" yesterday afternoon.

Primarily planned as a money-raiser for Red Cross funds, the idea of inflated courage became a lesson in social studies as pupils learned what happens if their money were worth $100 for each cent. As profits had the generous fee of $100 in inflation money, they received a pledge form telling of ways to fight inflation.

More than a million dollars of inflation money was in circulation during the afternoon as students played games of skill, tried their luck at the fishpool or bought novelties for Christmas gifts. The students committee in charge of the programme, headed by Doreen Collis, Charles Lennett and Georgina White, reported that although complete records had not been tallied, more than $100 in real money had been raised in the short time the fair was open.

Two short plays will be presented today by the Drama Club of the school at the closing auditorium period for the term. The plays, "Why The Chimes Ring" and "The Boy in the Window" have been chosen by Miss Olive Heritage, director of the club, as those most suitable for the Christmas programme. The Victoria Schools Band, under Bandmaster L. A. Prescott, will present a short concert for the assembled students.

The cure of human ills and happiness are not their destruction, in the first and most legitimate object of good government.

Slightly Off His Trolley

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 16 (AP) —The motorman of a Milwaukee trolley bus made a turn into a side street in the early morning darkness. Passengers thought nothing about it when the bus stopped and the driver got out. He returned quickly with a red face and said, "Will some of you fellows help me push the bus back?" There aren't any rails on this street!

He had turned the blocks too soon.

NO HOMOGENIZATION

SAINT JOHN N B., Dec. 16 (CP) —Saint John dairies are discontinuing homogenization of milk for the duration, so that all facilities may be concentrated on production of good quality pasteurized milk.

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New Government Formed in Iran

TEHERAN, Iran, Dec 16 (Reuter)—A new government, officially described as "adapted to new conditions following the re-power entrenched" was formed today by Premier Ali Soheili.

Premier Soheili and his Cabinet resigned yesterday in a move apparently intended to permit a Cabinet reorganization in accordance with new political conditions arising from the recent conferences here and at Cairo.

PROFESSOR DIES

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Rev. Dr. William Adams Brown, 78, research professor emeritus in apologetics theology at Union Theological Seminary, who gained wide recognition for his advocacy of unity of the branches of the Christian Church, died here Wednesday after a brief illness.

In whatever way life is approached the power question is central. Output without insults in any realm is fatal.

They Met at a Dance; This Story Has Surprise Ending

NAPLES, Dec 16 (AP)—They met at a Red Cross dance, but they did not dance.

They just sat there lookout all each other for a long time and holding hands.

He asked: "How did you find me?"

She began telling him all the details of landing in Italy with a newly-arrived W.A.C. contingent and figuring out his last known address and concluding that he was here.

"Then I began asking if your unit was somewhere in this country," she said, "and when I found out that it was they couldn't keep me from finding you."

"Gee," he said. "You're swell. Still can't believe it."

She said "It's been over a year. Do you remember the day after Thanksgiving last year?"

"Sure," he replied. "We were sworn in at the same time in San Francisco—Sgt. Alvin Bailey and Pfc. Theresa Bailey."

He said then how she had telephoned and driven around Naples and how some engineers finally took her where to find him.

And when she finally got the telephone number of his unit they told her that he had gone to the Red Cross dance. So she came, too.

One of his friends joined them just then and said "Hello, Al. How's your introduction?"

"Sure," said the engineer. "This is my mother, Mrs. Theresa Bailey."

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The War Today—

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
Associated Press War Analyst

The bright prospect beckoning the troops who have landed at Arawe in New Britain is the hope of raiding a side sea corridor of the Pacifically-vital New Britain anchor at Rabaul is uncovered.

First reports indicate the Arawe beachhead was secured with minimum enemy opposition due to the aerial blasting of the selected area and the follow-up fire from naval guns which covered the actual landing. The jump across wide Dampier Strait from New Guinea to the southeast coast of New Britain obviously has made undetected. Time-lapse volumes for the degree of all-out-unchallenged air aid see control the Allies have achieved as a preliminary to the campaign now opening to wrest Rabaul from enemy hands.

The Arawe landing may be but one of many amphibious operations planned to gain complete control of the largest and most strategically important South Pacific Island yet invaded by Allied forces.

The Arawe beachhead, hold as the thrust to gain it was, seems too remote from Rabaul to be regarded as an intended main base to operations on New Britain for a land drive to avenge Rabaul.

Due north of Arawe, however, it is less than 60 miles air line to the upper coast of the island. Several sea-minded tracks cross New Britain north-to-south between the shores of the shallow gulf on which Arawe faces and Saint Mary on the north shore. The implication is that an Allied operation is in progress to cut off the whole southwestern end of the big island and convert it into an advance air base for pressing the attack on Rabaul at close range.

Tokio now is no definite notice of Allied intention to take Rabaul and convert it into a means to the Truk bastion that guards the 800-mile-wide sea corridor of direct approach to the Philippines. Heavy bombers based at Rabaul would have Truk under relatively close range.

Whatever may be controlling Allied strategy in seizing foot on New Britain, it is the boldest move yet made to carry the fight by land as well as sea and air to Nipponese forces from the east and south in the Pacific.

The Japanese must send in reinforcements of men, planes and supplies if New Britain is to be held. That they can be provided across 400 miles of open sea without heavy naval as well as air protection is wholly improbable. Yet with American forces now in unchallenged control of the Gilbert group and raiding the Marshalls with whom looks like the preliminaries to a further advance, the defensive problem confronting the Japanese High Command is a grave one.

Canadian 25-Pounder in Action in Italy

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Bracken Declares Liberal Government "on Way Out"

WINNIPEG, Dec. 16 (CP)—John Bracken, national leader of the Progressive Conservative party, said in an address here today that the "present (Dominion) Government is on the way out and pretty fast."

Speaking at the Manitoba Progressive Conservative Convention, Mr Bracken claimed his party "is going ahead by leaps and bounds" and urge representatives of Federal constituencies to do a good organizational job in preparation for a general election.

"The present Government is in the habit of dropping an election on us suddenly and we must be ready for whatever happens," he said. "It might be soon."

The national leader outlined the programme advocated by his party and urged his followers to bring the programme before the public as an adequate alternative to the programmes of the other two parties—the Liberals and C.C.F.

While the C.C.F. Party was progressing quickly, Mr Bracken expressed his belief it had reached its peak, adding:

"It is not good enough just to kick the C.C.F. around . . . They have some good things in them and some bad. The other fellow is a bizarre-faire programme."

Mr Bracken emphasized the Progressive Conservative Party stood for rational reform but not for Socialism. He said there should be jobs at fair pay for every worker; agriculture should be given a square deal in Canada's economy and there should be security for the aged, sick, unemployed and those suffering from accidents.

Business and enterprise, he claimed, were being kicked around, whereas there should be a fair treatment of business enterprise which, he said, provided 95 per cent of jobs before the war.

The inferior position of agriculture he believed, should be corrected by organizations among farmers. "Canada's economy was ill-balanced," he said. "Too many people were growing foods for the needs of the country and high surpluses brought low prices."

Mr Bracken also advocated relief, free bargaining between employer and employee, removal of trade barriers, and increased purchasing power of the people in order to bring markets for agricultural production; a price-floor in peacetime and abandonment of submarginal land.

He said there should be an international police force in postwar years to prevent the over-running of one nation by another and the establishment of an international body to secure the peace.

Premier Churchill

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East, Attlee said "I can assure the House that every modern facility is available on the spot," and that the Prime Minister is getting the attention of experts.

Supplies of the drug penicillin were understood to be available if needed.

Mr Churchill was ill with pneumonia for about a month in the latter half to February and the first part of March this year, after attending the Casablanca Conference with President Roosevelt.

There have been considerable mystery over Mr. Churchill's whereabouts in recent days as the Prime Minister failed to return after the close of the historic parleys in Cairo and Teheran, but Foreign Secretary Eden allayed apprehension Tuesday when he told Commons that he had left Mr Churchill in the Middle East "perhaps a little tired but in good health, stout of heart and most confident in spirit."

CONFERRED WITH GREEK PREMIER

In the wake of the Eden statement then that "there is still important work" for the Prime Minister to do "in the sphere where he now is," the Greek Information Office in London disclosed that one of the Prime Minister's last activities before he was stricken was a conversation in Cairo Friday with the Premier of the Greek Government, Emmanuel Tsouderos.

Mr. Churchill had a cold and a temperature of more than 100 when he sailed from Britain to attend the historic conference with President Roosevelt. Premier Stalin and President Chiang Kai-Shek, although the fever was understood to have been caused by inoculations against diseases in Africa, claimed he was to rest.

On his arrival in Cairo the cold became worse but the Prime Minister insisted on continuing to work as hard as ever.

Both House of Parliament sent messages of sympathy to Mr. Churchill, and the Archbishop of Liverpool asked Roman Catholic in England and Wales to offer special prayers for a quick recovery.

Border Crossing To Be Made Easier

OTTAWA, Dec. 16 (CP)—Nativeborn Canadian citizens will no require border-crossing cards for temporary visits to the United States after January 1, it was learned here today.

Announcement of changes in the United States regulations governing crossing of the border, which will have this effect is expected shortly.

Such persons, however, will have to produce evidence that they were born in Canada. Canadian citizens born outside Canada will still require special documents.

The loosening of the regulations affects persons crossing the border for stays of 29 days or less.

The change involves no alteration in Canadian foreign exchange regulations, and citizens in the United States will still require a board permit in order to obtain money to make a trip.

Train Wreck

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railment of three coaches of the Florida-bound Tamiami West Coast Champion and the little town of Bules. At least one person was killed in this wreck.

Some 40 minutes later William Wood, magazine publisher, a passenger on the first train and eyewitness of the second wreck, said the northbound Tamiami East Coast Champion roared past hastily lighted newspaper bonfire signals and plunged into the derailed coaches of the first train, which lay sprawled across a double track.

Five cars of the second train, Wood said, "leaped the track and folded together like an accordion." A railroad spokesman said none of the dead were on the northbound train. No wreckage was so twisted that workers with scrtiliers between still were trying to cut into three coaches late in the day.

Wood said some of the victims were so torn apart by the impact that it was impossible to reconstruct the bodies.

Wood said makeshift flares had been used to stop two southbound freight trains after the first wreck and that he and others frantically endeavored by the same means to warn the northbound engineer.

Many of the passengers were servicemen en route to their homes for the holidays.

William C. Bullitt, former United States Ambassador to Moscow and his daughter Anne were on the northbound train, friends in Washington said, but both escaped without injury.

Berlin Blasted

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United States bombers plunged through a circular wall of flak to reach their targets and returned to British bases by the light of flares and searchlights.

Sixteen Nazi fighters of the few which challenged the raiders through the rough weather were shot down by the bombers, while two more were teamed by the fighter escort for a total score of 18. Eleven United States bombers and one escort plane failed to return.

This attack upon the strategic sector dotted with Nazi submarine and shipbuilding yards was the third major operation out of five carried out so far in December in which the United States Army Air Force Command has failed to announce the targets beforehand. It appeared, however, that the Bomber Command in striking Northwest Germany was engaged in a final effort to clear U-bash pens from Allied invasion sea lanes.

At one English base—where the hours of daylight are nearing the shortest of the year—returning bombers gave the contrast staff one of the striking jobs of the war by marking up overhead for an hour and a half before the last of the group was safely around.

The bombers dropped slowly out of the half-darkness in settle some the flare paths with their landing lights on to warning to others to stay away.

Some crews reported seeing black smoke curling through the clouds as though an oil refinery had been hit.

Enemy fighter opposition, normally heavy over this part of Germany, failed to materialize in any sizeable strength.

It was the fifth major American operation of the month, daylight weather in December was proved better for flying than night hours when RAF formations attack. The RAF has been able to make only two raids so far this month.

Daylight bombings now are proceeding through Winter weather that had hitherto been judged unfeasible for action, indicating that Germany will have no respite in the coming months.

In the last three weeks there have been at least three occasions when American communiques failed specifically to identify the targets attacked. This policy might be the result of lack of reconnaissance because of the weather.

Like Ducks on Smooth Water Troops Paddle to Beachhead

Robert Ruhson, 21-year-old native of Kalama, Mont., writes home with the Allied forces in New Guinea. Here Mr. Ruhson and Wednesday. Here is his story of the invasion.

By ROBERT RUHSON
Associated Press War Correspondent

WITH THE AMERICAN SIXTH ARMY AT ARAWE, New Britain, Dec. 16.—We were 35 yards from shore when the Japanese opened up.

There was a jabbering in Japanese and then red tracer bullets popped at us from each side—thousands of firecrackers coming our way in streams.

The Japanese apparently were ready and waiting for our rubber boats to slide over a reef before we crossed the last narrow strip of water to the New Britain shore. They caught us on the reef and killed about one quarter of our small force. It was 8:30 a.m. one hour before the main landing was to take place on Orange Beach at the foot of the Arawe Peninsula.

Capt. Edward Wright, Dallas, led his Texans who were to establish the first beachhead at the top of the peninsula and cut off the Japanese line of retreat from the main assault.

Wright, six feet two and weighing 185 pounds, was in the first rubber boat. We went towards the shore in echelon formation of three boats to a wave.

I was in the first boat of the first wave.

We left our ship at 5:00 a.m. a bright sobon was shining when the sailors threw our in into the water. We let our machine ...and my typewriter down off the deck with long ropes. Then we scrambled over the side.

The sea was black in the moonlight. Our boats were bouncing silhouettes.

We knew if any Japanese were around Umbulogo village where the landing was to take place, we would be ducks on the water. The bad weather we had hoped for had failed us.

You could hear little black paddles splashing in the water, lastly at first, then seemingly louder as we came closer to the jungleous behind the white beach we were heading for. We were in perfect formation when we neared the coral reef. They had told us about the reef but high tide everyone knew, would take us over.

No one but the Japanese knew about the five machine guns and the 37 MM cannon hidden in brush and trees along the shore.

Cpl. Homer C. Jensel, Wrenham, Mass., crouched in the prow of our boat, tommy gun in his hands. When the Japanese started firing he emptied his gun and then jumped overboard.

A man sitting at his right fell over into the water dead.

I jumped over the left side and went down to my neck. My jungle pack of rations and typing paper was too light for me to keep it up. We were cut off pulled me over backwards and I slipped it off.

The 37 MM opened up from the bank and pumped eight shots at us. The shells were wide and they slammed into one boat, blowing it to bits into the air. I ducked under our boat and held my breath.

Others did the same.

When I couldn't hold my breath any longer I came up and gasped for air, ducking my glasses and helmet were gone.

The boy next to me was hit in the back.

"I can't make it," he said in a tired whisper.

I grabbed his arm and pulled him close to me.

"You can make it." I kept saying "Sure you can make it."

But I expected any minute for them to open up and kill us.

Italian Front

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troops (the Royal 22nd of Quebec) captured the village of Berardi, three miles south of Ortona. Advices from the front said the Eighth Army had taken almost 3,000 prisoners since the Sangro River battle began November 17.

FORCE GERMANS INTO THE HILLS

In crossing the highway leading from Ortona to Orsogna, it is only inland from the Adriatic, the Canadians and Indians forced the Germans into the hills where they are being subjected to almost constant shelling.

The Fifth Army pushed ahead in south Italy and captured an important hill in the Castel San Vincenzo area six miles south of Alfedena. Italian troops again were reported in action with the Fifth Army.

Five German planes were shot down in operations over the front and four Allied craft were reported missing.

The bombers raiding Innsbruck, 60 miles from Munich, dropped strings of high explosives near railway and road yard and terminal, the key junction in the Italian-Austrian rail system leading into Germany.

Eighty miles south of Innsbruck, on the Italian end of Brenner Pass, other heavy bombers smashed the rail yards at Bolzano, while another force poured explosives on a vital railroad viaduct over the Adige River near Trento, 30 miles south of Bolzano.

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There again was no official indication whether the Fifteenth A. Force bombers were operating from Southern Italy or from North Africa.

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Mr. Churchill Indisposed

While it would be foolish to read into the bulletin issued yesterday by Prime Minister Churchill's medical advisers anything that is not intended, profound concern will be manifest throughout the United Nations over the illness than has overtaken Great Britain's outstanding wartime leader. No information is vouchsafed as to Mr. Churchill's whereabouts, except that he is somewhere in the Middle East, where he had been holding important conversations consequent on the history-making Cairo and Teheran Conferences.

Mr. Churchill was reported to be suffering from a cold when he attended these conferences, but with his usual indomitable spirit did not allow that to interfere with the dynamic energy that has been so marked a characteristic of his leadership in this war. A patch of pneumonia has now developed in one lung and he has been confined to bed for several days.

In telling an attentive House of Commons about Mr. Churchill's illness Mr. Clement Attlee, Deputy Prime Minister, said that specialists were in attendance, and that every modern facility is available on the spot. Special prayers will be offered throughout Canada for the Prime Minister's recovery, in which Victoria churches of all denominations will join.

Now in his seventieth year, Mr. Churchill has borne the greater part of the weight in conducting the prosecution of the war with the zest and enthusiasm of a man half his age, and his dauntless leadership has been an inspiration to the free world. Official reports yesterday through Downing Street were quiet and unalarmed, although medical bulletins would be given, it was said.

Newfoundland

Newfoundland, Canada's close neighbor at the entrance to the St. Lawrence River, in choosing her future. Under a British commission for the last few years, the tenth largest island in the world is contented to remain so for the present, whatever may come in the future. It was said yesterday from London, where Newfoundland affairs were under debate in the House of Commons, Westminster. Many years ago Newfoundland was offered entry into the union of Confederation in Canada, but declined. With the majority of the people of Canada that offer would hold good today. Has it been expressed in anything like cordial form to the people of Newfoundland?

A flying ape has made Newfoundland of greater importance than ever in this hemisphere. Her capital is nearly midway between London and New York by air. Newfoundland is the first point of arrival and the last point of departure for trans-oceanic flying south of the Greenland great circle. At sea, she stands far astride the mouth of this country's great seaway, the St. Lawrence, from 9 to 40 miles off Labrador across the Strait of Belle Isle. In a plane-land-sea conception, Newfoundland is Canada's eastern gate in the year 1943.

There was a time when Newfoundland was ready to offer Labrador to Canada for $30,000,000, but negotiations for that time fell through. In this war (1941) Newfoundland granted to the United States facilities in Labrador for protective outposts, which have since been of great service to the Allied cause. To her prutine fisheries have been added material mineral wealth, and the knowledge that her economic future will be better than it has ever been. But Newfoundland has yet to choose politically what that future will be. Will it be isolation from or union with that land? Time marches forward, and the mistakes of the past lie buried under a growing weight of years. Here is a matter of some importance. What is Canada saying now?

Inflation Robs All

The battle against inflation, like that country's war service, is something that should be kept strictly out of politics; for inflation could beat us no matter what Administration or form of Government was in power. For that reason, Canadians generally will endorse the action taken by the Prime Minister of Canada in his recent public appeal to maintain price ceilings in this land. It was in the right spirit, and it deserves a genuine response apart from parochial, provincial or party lines. Mr. Mackenzie King said that:

"On the home front the battle against inflation is now the most critical of all. The winning of this battle will contribute much to the winning of the war. It will contribute more than all else towards the solution of postwar problems. The purpose of price control is to prevent inflation. Its purpose is to protect and maintain a basic standard of living. A higher money income will not be of any advantage if because prices are going up, our money buys less and less. To win the battle against unemployment in the postwar period, we must first of all win the battle against inflation. . . . We must hold the line against inflation."

That is true. It would be true of any people in any age faced with the same hazards. It is not less true or more true because a Liberal leader says so, in his capacity as Prime Minister of Canada. The country will be wise if it keeps the problem of inflation, and its solution, strictly out of politics. The solution, as we have often said here, lies in the hands of the Canadian citizen in Canada must play his, or her, part—not in some dim distant time, but now, before inflation can gain momentum. Afterwards would be too late. Everyone must help the Canadian dollar to do its full work. They must hold it dear, not cheap. Inflation is a fall in the value of money, slowly at first, but with a rush at the end. It beggars all.

The Hamilton Address

Since the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation commenced its explanations for refusing the air to Mr. John Bracken, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, at his Hamilton speech last week, this country has had an opportunity of examining that speech as printed in the press in some detail. There was not one line in the published text, nor in the complete text which Mr. Bracken transmitted to the press, that could not readily have gone over the air.

If this was the speech that the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation refused to carry on the ground of policy, then there must be something quite involved and unreal about that policy. It is the function of a political leader to set forth the views of his party. How else could any party approach a country to get the ear of the electorate? And that is a right. No "policy" can take it away, and any attempt to do so would have an instant reaction throughout Canada.

Meanwhile, the decision of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation gets into an explanation of the incident, and indeed into an explanation of the explanation, and because all this flummery seems to make, Mr. John Bracken made an excellent speech at Hamilton. Radio listeners did not hear it, although they are called upon for what is intended to be a general public service. If that general public service, broadcasting, degenerates into a channelized chorus of praise for the party in power it will lose its last hold upon the people—whose servant it is. Mr. Bracken has a right to speak. We had a right to hear him. That right was denied. Why?

Seen in Passing

Congratulations in Canadian newspaper circles are due to Miss Maria Lawson, the dean of Western newspaper women, who observed her ninety-first birthday this week in Victoria. May it be given to all those who are now in the calling to serve their profession as devotedly, as amiably and as well as the little bright eyed lady whose inimitable stories for children will not soon be forgotten.

It is all very well for Doktor Goebbels to remind us of Dunkerque and Dieppe, but he has forgotten that it was Dunkerque and Dieppe that proved that British courage is inextinguishable. And for good measure we would add Trondheim, Narvik, Calais and St. Nazaire. Every one is a victory or a defeat, and yet every one was a clear and unmistakable sign of ultimate victory. From Moms to Moms is but a step, Doktor, for all the flight of years.

The Thirty-Seventh Form

If you can run a rooming house in wartime
And keep your head and not go quite insane
If you can take abuse from all and sundry
Who think there's nothing to it but to gain;
If you can follow governmental regulations
Which tell you to give service as of yore,
Yet pay your rents, with no consideration
Of the fact that household goods cost more and more;

If you can manage gurls and all their boy friends,
And keep your widows all within the law,
If you can let them have some fun and freedom
Yet trust them to behave when you withdraw;
If you explain their actions to the neighbors
Yet never let them know you had to do it;
If you can soothe your roomers' ruffled feathers
Nor lose your sense of humor, nor your wit;

If you can take them as they come, serenely,
And sort the bad ones out and keep the good;
If you can see what you will see when renting,
Yet keep your faith in mankind as you should,
If you can do all this and not go crazy,
You'll never get the credit that's your due,
You'll never make the headlines or the movies—
But you'll know human nature through and through!

—(Mrs.) H. I. Mackenzie.

Victoria, B.C.

Sorrow is properly that state of mind in which one desires are fixed upon the past without looking forward to the future.—Dr. Johnson.

Leisure is the mother of Philosophy.

—Hobbes

Random Record

By H.T.M.

PENSIONS MINISTER BLOWING TOP AGAIN

"Ian," Canada's Pensions Minister might very well have said to Pensions Minister Mackenzie his minister before his train left, for he is the rather rude man who blows off steam here. He blows out your pockets. Last time you went West they were full of "B.B." caps and fire crackers. You nearly blew the roof off Ottawa last time over that Jap business. Now he a good boy, Ian, and don't go running around Vancouver blowing off any more explosions."

But it seems likely that the Pensions Minister must have jumped off at Winnipeg and made one or two little purchases. For arrive had he checked in at the Hotel Vancouver, very before the offices of Vancouver newspapers and the Canadian Press were rocking from a Kaiser explosion—in other words, while addressing the Vancouver Liberal Association, Mr. Mackenzie was surreptitiously spitting his B.B. caps and sticking fire crackers regardless. Sang he at that meeting, "A financial conspiracy made against the prosecution of veiled interests against Mackenzie is being defected against the Federal Liberal Government." Further he on blasted, "I want to know—and I demand to know—where the funds are coming from (he was organized by a Railway Corporation, a tool from Trail, and a Vancouver lawyer, Locke—I intend to expose the whole conspiracy, Locke, stock and barrel, unless they disband to their fox holes tomorrow."

ENTER WINCH AND COLDWELL

Almost immediately Harold Winch of C.C.F., hewed three dimensions and added his quotient. Say, vouchsafed that there was "a filthy financial conspiracy" in British Columbia, but it was not clear that it was to break up the C.C.F.—which Winch rather hinted is the case, but, lest any utterances he might perchance blurt himself to give to the Daily Press must painfully remind him of the "shot did Mr Winch say-pistol" down in Oliver, and, lest in his lessons to let anything slip, M. J. Coldwell, C.C.F. member, who was hearing the Mackenzie pumps wind down in Red Deer beechanically flipped Gladstone Murray into the batter, charging something about a "secret campaign against the C.C.F." In this connection he said Mr. Murray, former C.B.C. general manager, was "trying to collect $200,000 to be spent by him as a Public Relations Counsel in the next three years." In that same report dated December 14 (CP), Mr. Winch said he had information about Ottawa "$100 being raised in the federal field, and that a very heavy advertising campaign was to be launched against the C.C.F. Interests backing the campaign would come out in support of the Progressive Conservative Party when the time was opportune.

Startling gander from Mr. Mackenzie's bomb. Progressive Conservative John Bracken said he was nothing about a Tory financial conspiracy which Pensions Minister Mackenzie was quoted as saying to Vancouver was aimed at undermining the Liberal Party in British Columbia. Mr. Bracken furthered (we) he had not seen the "pistol" but that as far as the Progressive Conservative Party was concerned the statements contained in it amounted to "drivel."

Thus, within a few hours of Mr. Mackenzie's arrival, Australia, C.C.F., Progressive Conservative and Gladstone Murray seem all to be combining in a sort of mixed bag of political flapdoodle involving ridiculous issues and hypothetical monies ranging from $200 000 to $10,000,000.

FIRE AND BRIMSTONE

But admission and doubtless with attacks resulting from Mackenzie's Pensions Minister Mackenzie on December 13 (CP) said he would not only stand by the charges of a "Tory financial conspiracy directed against the Liberal Party in British Columbia, but possibly would ask for an investigation by a Tory committee or Royal Commission.

With that statement Ian Mackenzie tossed aside both tit and muff—as possible provision for his threat, and further asserted, "I stand by every word I have said, and I say this, if those responsible continue to deny this now or do not take steps to disassociate the organization I will repeat the charges in the House of Commons on my full responsibility as a minister and a member." And furthermore when a reporter reminded him that you rashful prove the charges, you will be in a position of having to resign." Mr. Mackenzie replied bravely, "That's it." regardless. Lastly C. R. Locke, K.C. of the firm of Locke, Lane & Company, said Mr. Mackenzie had not disclosed the name of any organization in his address, and said if Pensions Mitt' Mrs's general charges were "true are too absurd for comment."

MY MIST WRIGGLE

If Ian Mackenzie can wriggle out of the swamp in which Messrs. Winch, Locke, Gladstone Murray, Coldwell, Bracken and his big boss will, plus attention from $200,000 to $10,000,000 are all hissing and purging like so many primeval dinosaurs, then Ian Mackenzie's boss should be the first to receive the attentions of the Children's Aid, mechanical safety-slappy.

Since he has formed the flame of alleged conspiracy why does he now seem out into the open and tell the public what this conspiracy—if one exists—is all about. The Minister has obviously set up a smoke screen behind which he threatens to have the whole matter examined by a Royal Commission or a government-sponsored public enquiry. Furthermore, he seems to be unwittingly helping the C.C.P. out of his conspiracy "Wednesday" complacency. The charges made by Mr. Mackenzie are political. They have no relation to government, and just why the Minister should put the country to the expense of a Commission sounds somewhat queasy. He has made the charges, they

this might be very entertaining.

Observation Car

By G.B.

Hitler said he would never desert the German people. That was about the worst threat he could make. He also has reported to have very little time, enthusiasm or Russia left. . . . Vincent Lopez, popular pianist, leader, has written a book entitled "What's Ahead." In it he predicts war with Germany will end late in 1944 with final or decisive action in the Near East. Hitler will disappear in 1946 or 1947, his fate obscure. . . . British military authorities have published a pamphlet showing that 50,000 out of 400,000 Jews in the British Isles are serving in the armed forces. . . . From the poundkeeper: "There are 1,000 dogs the same as there are delinquent children. Many either dog go to work, or all to the shops and let their dogs roam the streets at large. Naturally such animals get into—from the same as neglected children." . . . Men's socks are made so short in England to save wool that wearers report they nearly cover about their ankles. Ankle socks in the Winter do not keep the feet properly warm. . . . A report from Ft. Halifax there are no deliveries of milk on Sundays, in consequence, it seems a double ration on Saturday. I think the Christmas Spirit should be extended to our milkmen. Could we not double our rations on December 24 so they can have a day off? Poor fellows! Free from their arduous labors!" . . . Rationing Board regulations are sufficient to change without notice. A housewife who secures a doctor's prescription for sugar, if the quantity is more than 16 ounces, must now take the prescription to a druggist—ten to lower Port Street before it will be accepted by any of the vendors. . . . Greyhound racing is popular sport in England. Pimlico Race track has been visited by 300,000 persons each week-end. Profits of the South London Greyhound Race Courses Ltd. were $415,000 for the year ending September 30.

Letters to the Editor

We invite to the Editor will be deemed short over the proper discretion and subject to the rule that the shorter the more likely it is to be printed. The letter should exceed one words in length.

DISABLED VETERANS

Victoria, B.C., December 17, 1943.

To the Editor:—The letter of Mr. A. Palmer, president, Victoria Branch War Amputations of Canada, which appeared in the Colonist of December 7, 1943, in regard to a meeting which he intended to address the Empress Hotel in connection with the policy of the Dominion Government through the Department of Pensions for the successful placement and rehabilitation of disabled ex-service men and women, is certainly a step in the right direction.

Mr. Palmer's worth-while suggestion in the above-mentioned letter is a matter which has been immediately of the interest that the Dominion Government has appointed a committee such as has been formed in Vancouver and other large cities to "Ginger up" to bring in "Ginger" to soon as possible, is of interest to every person here and all should get behind it now.

With the thought in mind, being in the class of the permanently disabled, I am anxious to receive offers from handicapped persons with a view to arranging a meeting and discussion preparatory to an association.

Not disabled and handicapped person who has not read Mr. Palmer's letter to The Colonist, December 7, should read it and carry out do so without delay.

Mr. Palmer suggests I would like to make it, that in addition to the support of the War Amputations Association formed by Mr. Palmer, that three members also become a part of whatever committee or association we might be able to form in order to make it 100 per cent.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(From The Daily Colonist of December 17, 1918)

From Regina—Premier Martin this afternoon introduced an amendment to the School Act, providing that only English be taught in the schools with exception of provisions for the teaching of French.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

(From The Daily Colonist of December 17, 1893)

The City—How many scores of birds (nine women have destroyed in the kindest way possible it would be hard to guess. The advice, "Take the dead bird off your hat, might well have added to it, and upon the sagacious of the living one."

SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(From The Daily British Colonist of December 17, 1868)

Mechanized Warfare—The Paris Charivari suggests the adoption of its velocipede for artillery purposes and gives an excellent sketch of a company of artillerymen, mounted on velocipedes equipment. Although but a caricature, it is far from being an improbability.

"OLD HAND AT THE GAME"

Russian Front

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Shortly after dawn 60 000 Soviet infantry and armor brigades, to an area 70 miles from the Latvian border, attacked under Orsteraj, Andrei I. Yeremenko, defender of Stalingrad. Berlin reports said heavy fighting "is in full swing there" as the Russians attacked with superior forces.

2. Seizure of Krichev in the area near Moghilev the Germans said. Moscow says she has not only begun the attack with an intense artillery barrage followed by infantry charges behind flame-throwing tanks.

3. Southwest of the rail junction of Zhlobin, where about 100,000 Red Army infantrymen and two tank brigades joined for the second day with heavy air force support.

Not one word of any of these three attacks came from Un Russians themselves.

Weather, too, made news in Russia. Good visibility permitted extensive air activity over snowy battlefields and the Russians announced they had shot down 100 German planes. The German radio admitted that Soviet dive-bombers were attacking relentlessly.

From Europe

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villas outside the city gave notable help so that in almost every village the Nazis were forced to the defensive.

Every stone-built house in Cherkassy had been turned into a fortress by the Germans. The Red Army used airborne troops and parachutists, with great success and there was a terrific battle in the streets, which had to be taken one by one, while the Luftwaffe bombed from overhead. Cherkassy is now in ruins.

The Times military correspondent says Soviet forces are threatening the development of Kirovograd and apparently they are also attacking at Zhlobin.

But the Kiev front is still the most important of all and the outcome of this crucial battle will have a great effect on the Winter's campaign.

On the Eighth Army front in Italy Canadians and United Kingdom troops have made further gains in the coastal sector, says The Times Algiers correspondent.

The Canadians raid on Berardi village was successful during They invaded the village, which is two miles south of Ortona, and captured the commanding officer, a major, four other officers and 140 men of the 3rd Battalion of 361st Panzer Grenadiers with a large quantity of equipment.

The 4th Princess Louise Dragoon Guards recruited mainly in Ontario, adds The Times correspondent, are now operating as reconnaissance units.

The Australian Labor Party has accepted Premier Curtin's proposals for three pre-election with other members of the British Commonwealth.

The man The Times Canberra correspondent, is interpreted as giving the Premier full authority to take urgent decisions in London or elsewhere in all questions of future Empire relationships.

Former Premier Menzies, however, criticizes Premier Curtin as the only person who has concentrated in his own country during the war, while he said, he was preferring there could be no substitute for conference, of Empire Prime Ministers, on questions of major Empire policy.

In an editorial reference to Canada's place in the postwar world, The Times says she has not only ocean links with the British Commonwealth, but new air lines across the Arctic Circle with the Soviet Union.

Canada is realizing, as the rest of the world is beginning to realize, that the most successful experiments yet made for retaining in co-operative order a diversity of races, languages and creeds is the British Empire itself. It is an example of unity to a discordant world.

Pacific Front

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between New Britain and New Guinea, and adjoining waters, other allied bombing groups were hammering at other important enemy coastal bases on New Britain Island.

Guadalcanal, the big supply airfield centre about 75 miles east of the Bougainville area, was hit by 32 tons of bombs. The Cape Gloucester area on the western tip of the island, 60 miles west of Arawe, received 92 tons of explosives among its airfield installations. Other bombers struck at Rabaul the enemy's leader and air base on the northeastern tip of the island.

Australians fighting up the coast of the Huon Peninsula, New Guinea, were after-king Lakunia, the Japanese supply base 12 miles north of Finschhafen, while an inland force of Australians in a frontal assault on the enemy from strongly-defended positions northeast of Wareo, which the Australian captured December 8.

CATCH TWO TRANSPORTS

Netherlands-manned medium bombers and Australian Beaufighters caught two 3,000-ton troop-filled enemy transports and an escorting destroyer off Dili on the north coast of Portuguese Timor and gave them a thorough bombing and strafing from low altitude. The transports were left stationary and burning fiercely, with heavy damage to enemy personnel, and the destroyer was probably damaged the communique said.

Other aerial forays in the area north of Australia included a night attack by medium bombers on Boeing, on the northwest tip of Dutch New Guinea, and on an airfrome on Kisar Island, where large fires were started.

An attack on Kupang, on Timor Island, resulted in fires among warehouses and in the leak, and destruction in dugeras) areas at Penfoei airdrome.

On Bougainville Island, in the Solomons, Admiral William F. Halsey's planes continued hammering Japanese supply points, artificial and installations. In the Buka area, on the north coast, six enemy gun positions were destroyed or damaged and many buildings were wrecked.

Tides at Victoria

DECEMBER

Times of Tides (Pacific Standard time) at Victoria B.C. for the month of December, 1943

Date	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.
1	0 41	7 15	13 08	19 19
2	1 31	7 53	13 52	20 13
3	2 21	8 33	14 35	21 08
4	3 10	9 14	15 18	22 03
5	3 57	9 54	16 00	22 58
6	4 42	10 34	16 42	23 52
7	5 26	11 13	17 26	24 46
8	6 10	11 53	18 10	25 41
9	6 54	12 34	18 55	26 36
10	7 38	13 16	19 41	27 31
11	8 23	13 59	20 28	28 26
12	9 10	14 44	21 16	29 21
13	9 58	15 31	22 05	30 16
14	10 48	16 20	22 55	31 11
15	11 39	17 11	23 46	
16	12 31	18 03	24 37	
17	13 24	18 56	25 29	
18	14 17	19 49	26 21	
19	15 10	20 42	27 13	
20	16 03	21 35	28 05	
21	16 56	22 28	28 57	
22	17 49	23 21	29 49	
23	18 42	24 14	30 41	
24	19 35	25 07	31 33	
25	20 28	25 59	32 25	
26	21 21	26 51	33 17	
27	22 14	27 43	34 09	
28	23 07	28 35	35 01	
29	23 59	29 27	35 53	
30	24 51	30 19	36 45	
31	25 43	31 11	37 37	

Times of Sunrise and Sunset (Pacific Standard time) at Victoria B.C. for the month of December, 1943

(Add one hour for Pacific Daylight time)

Date	Sunrise	Sunset	Date	Sunrise	Sunset
1	7 42	4 21	17	8 00	4 19
2	7 42	4 21	18	8 01	4 19
3	7 42	4 21	19	8 02	4 19
4	7 42	4 21	20	8 03	4 20
5	7 43	4 21	21	8 04	4 20
6	7 43	4 21	22	8 05	4 20
7	7 44	4 21	23	8 06	4 20
8	7 44	4 21	24	8 07	4 20
9	7 45	4 21	25	8 08	4 20
10	7 45	4 21	26	8 09	4 20
11	7 46	4 21	27	8 10	4 20
12	7 47	4 21	28	8 11	4 20
13	7 48	4 21	29	8 12	4 20
14	7 49	4 21	30	8 13	4 20
15	7 50	4 21	31	8 14	4 20
16	7 51	4 21			

Meteorological Office, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B.C.

According to Culbertson

The fact that speculative doubles of slam contracts help declarer because key cards is enough to damn them, but they have another defect, which is even worse. In today's deal East could make a little score of 130 points because he had to indicate his preference for doubling any contract he could defeat.

South, dealer, ——

North-South vulnerable

♠ K Q J 7 5 3
♥ 8 4
♦ 5 2
♣ A 7 4

WEST
♠ 10 E E 4 3
♥ J 7 E 2 2
♦ 8 E 7 E —
♣ 8 5 3

EAST
♠ 10 9
♥ 10 9
♦ 4
♣ K 10 8 3

SOUTH
♠ A 3
♥ A K E
♦ A K Q J 10
♣ Q J 6

The bidding

North	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♣	Pass
5 NT	Pass	6 NT	Double
Pass	Pass	7 NT	Double
Redbl	Pass	Pass	Pass

North was ill-advised in bid seven spades instead of seven no trump because key card is enough to damn the bid since partner could not be in the first place but he at least had the will to recover from this error. There was no recovery for East from his intermediate action of doubling seven spades, which warned the opponents that had better put their faith in a different grand slam contract.

West opened the nine of diamonds, not that it mattered. Declarer finished his entire diamond suit, discarding a spade, a heart and a club from dummy while East, forced to hold every one of his previous spades, let go two clubs and two hearts. Declarer now simply cashed the ace and king of hearts, discarding down to the blank ace of clubs in dummy.

The second heart lead was one too many for East. To keep his spade protection, he had to blank the club king and declarer was not slow to recognize the cruel situation. The very fact that East had doubled, not only seven spades, but seven no trump had convinced declarer from any thought of taking the club finesse. Now, before testing the spade break which was fairly apparent without a test, declarer rushed the ace of clubs. When East's king immediately fell declarer had none high cards than he could use.

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MARINE and TRANSPORTATION

Gunner Made Own Decision

Asked to Be Dropped In Germany for Air

TWO RIVERS, Wis., Dec. 16 (AP) —Sgt. Tyre C. Weaver, the wounded gunner who was dropped out of his heavy bomber over enemy territory to save his life, made his own decision on the descent, Lieut. Keith Kooke, the navigator, who threw him out, revealed today.

Kooke, 20, is on leave visiting his wife and year-old son, Mike, here.

He said: "I've read that Sgt. Weaver was dropped out over his parachute protests. That is not true. There were no parachute protests. Weaver himself made the decision."

Weaver was wounded by a German cannon shell that entered the plane and killed its co-pilot as the bomber was coming in over Germany to bomb Hanover. The shell nearly tore Weaver's arm off. He was dropped from the plane by Kooke in the belief that the Germans might find him immediately and give him medical attention that would save his life.

Maj.-Gen. Frederick L. Anderson, commanding general of the Eighth Air Force, revealed recently that the Germans had found Weaver and that he had lived.

COOL IN THE FACE OF DEATH

Kooke said he managed to get a tourniquet on the wounded arm. Weaver did not speak. But he was conscious all the time.

"He was cool in the face of death. I have never seen such heroism," said Kooke. "As I worked he pointed with his right hand to the escape hatch.

"He told me with that gesture that he wanted to be thrown out. So it was his decision. I do not know whether he hoped for a chance at life at the hands of the enemy, or simply meant that he was dying, had only a little while to live and wanted to get out of the way.

"I kept thinking, 'I must make sure his parachute opens.' I were all over his harness, saw that it was O.K. Then I put a bell-cord bottle of oxygen in his harness, hooking it in front . . .

"Then I put the rip cords in his good hand. It was a difficult thing to get him posed right for the drop. But I managed it and dropped him through the escape hatch."

Major Rail Accidents

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Major railroad accidents in the United States with the number killed include: 1872, Dec. 29, Ashtabula, O., 92; 1887, Oct. 10, Mud Run, Pa., 55; 1906, Dec. 31, Dawson, Pa., 65; 1904, Aug. 7, Eden, Colo., 96; 1906, Dec. 30, Washington, D.C., 53; 1910, March 1, Wellington, Wash., 96; 1916, March 31, Green Mountain, Ia., 55; 1918, June 22, Nashville, Ind., 68; 1918, July 9, Nashville, Tenn., 116; 1925, June 17, Hackettstown, N.J., 51; 1940, April 16, Little Falls, N.Y., 31; 1940, July 31, Cuyahoga Falls, O., 40; 1942, Sept. 24, Frederick, Md., 14; 1943, May 22, Delaware, N.J., 16; 1943, Aug. 30, Wayland, N.Y., 27; 1943, Sept. 6, Philadelphia, 79.

Allies' Merchant Navy Expands

FROM the building ways of a West Coast shipyard, the 10,000-ton tanker Cypress Hills Park was launched during the current week. The newest addition to the Allied merchant marine was well and truly named by Mrs. R. W. Mather, wife of a Federal member of Parliament. In the top picture is the launching party, with the sponsor bearing the customary bouquet presented by the management. Middle picture shows some of the men and women employees who fashioned the fine ship. Bottom picture is a close-up showing the bow of the Cypress Hills Park, before the launching party appeared on the platform.

Stead's Ships Again First

LONDON, Dec. 16 (CP)—The Admiralty disclosed today that a flotilla of British motor launches commanded by Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Stead, of Vancouver, were the first Royal Navy ships to enter Catania Harbor during the Sicilian invasion last Summer.

The officer, member of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, also led his ships in paving the way for the bloody Salerno landings in Western Italy last September by sweeping the bay of mines.

His flotilla swept the sea from Salerno to Naples and its ships were the first to enter Naples when that port was captured from the Germans.

Stead's ships also were the first to enter Sfax during the North African campaign earlier this year.

Stead and another officer of the flotilla have been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. The Admiralty statement said that his flotilla was the first to be sent into the Mediterranean two and one-half years ago and that he made a dash from Malta to Malta in 1942. While there he carried out patrols, fought German E-boats and did escort work and mine sweeping.

His boats with a handful of destroyers beat off a heavy Italian naval force in a battle off the Island of Pantelleria in the Summer of 1942.

Deputy Quits At Montreal

MONTREAL, Dec. 16 (CP)—Honore Parent announced today he had tendered his resignation as deputy administrator of the city of Montreal for the Quebec Municipal Commission, an aftermath of the 14-hour strike of police, fire and public works department employees two days ago.

Mr. Parent remains as director of municipal departments for the city.

Mr. Parent's resignation was announced a short time before officials of the National Syndicate of Municipal Workers were scheduled to meet him to discuss demands of the union for recognition as bargaining agent for the city's white collar workers—recognition similar to that given the Canadian Congress of Labor in the three departments who went on strike Tuesday.

Epidemic Late

TORONTO, Dec. 16 (CP)—The epidemic which has been afflicting Canadians across the Dominion—described as "A" type influenza—in nearly ten months late in striking, according to Dr. Ronald Hare, of the Connaught Laboratories, University of Toronto. He addressed the 12th annual Christmas meeting of the laboratory section, Canadian Public Health Section, here today.

Dr. Hare said the currently raging "A" type influenza occurs in a two-year cycle and should have struck last February.

Dr. Hare saw no hope of the flu being heard in the near future.

"Someone may pull some cure out of a hat unexpectedly—some new drug perhaps," he said. "At present, researchers for a cure for influenza are getting nowhere."

Dr. F. T. Cadham, Winnipeg, and Dr. R. M. Shaw, Edmonton, were elected to the council of the section.

Italian Internees Work at Seattle

SEATTLE, Dec. 16 (AP)—Ninety-two Italian internees, the first to be permitted in the Pacific Northwest, and probably on the Pacific Coast, since the rounding of enemy aliens after Pearl Harbor, have been permitted to come to Seattle to work for the Northern Pacific Railroad. It was learned today.

The arrangement for the employment of internees of both character and reliability were made through the U.S. Immigration Service, which also confirmed a report that negotiations for 40 more internees were being carried on by the Seattle City Light department.

The Italians are all from the Immigrant camp at Fort Missoula, Mont., and will be paid prevailing wages for day labor and housed in usual section hand quarters by the railroad.

The importation, officials said, was made because of the shortage of common labor in the area.

Charges Poor Administration

Charging that Esquimalt was being run by one man "who is at the top of the pile" and that your financial administration had made it necessary to "dip into financial reserves for the postwar period," Councillor F. O. Eaton, running for reeve at last Saturday's plebiscite, stated at a meeting held in the Queen of Peace Hall last night, "I

Councillor J. P. A. Christensen, who presided at the meeting, introduced the candidate as "an upright man, who had proved he was very capable in municipal affairs, and had been able to hold his own on the council, in spite of considerable opposition."

Mr. Eaton said the biggest thing which had ever come before the council in his six years was the sale of Macaulay Plains to the Federal Government, a matter of $50,000.

"All discussions, about this property were held elsewhere, not in the council chamber, we only heard of it ten minutes before the meeting. I wanted full value for this property, but I can't say how much it was possible to get for it. None of us had a chance to discuss it," Councillor T. Hadfield, then chairman of the finance committee had known nothing of the transaction, Mr. Eaton stated.

The reeve, he said, "has gone ahead alone." He mentioned the purchase of fluorescent lights for the municipal office. "It was a case of here they are—not a case of what do you think."

Mr. Eaton advocated refunding of sewer loan bonds at a lower rate of interest to save $6,000 a-year for Esquimalt. Issued when rates were very high, he said these bonds had already cost the district $600,000 interest alone and would cost them a cool $1,000,000 in interest, besides the original principle of $400,000. "Being non-callable we can't buy them in, the bond holders are protected but we are not. My contention is that we should try to save the taxpayer money by refunding."

Declaring his sympathies with a Greater Victoria movement, he advocated the forming of a committee to discuss it from the Esquimalt angle and to consult with city officials; then when the facts were put before the people, a referendum should be called.

Opposed to having too many beer parlors, "not from a moral angle but from a financial one," Mr Eaton said there should only be two to supply the needs of residents only. Greater Victoria should make with, arrangements if they wanted a pub, he claimed.

Labrary service was a most important point, as the only way residents could obtain good books was by having friends borrow them from Victoria's library. It would cost Esquimalt approximately $1,000 a year.

Laurence Fieldhouse, candidate for council, told the audience he wanted to see everyone get a square deal, and provision made for returned men. Mr. Christensen, supported George V. Bishop, and George A. Renton, running for council and R. A. Sedger, candidate for the police commission.

Did a Good Job

GEORGE WALLACK

Chairman of Prince Robert House building committee who is largely responsible for the general improvements and decorations recently completed at the popular sailors' hostel. Assisted by E. G. Sherwood, Victoria architect Mr Wallace, who was formerly a decorating contractor, has been receiving the congratulations of sailormen, friends of Victoria interested in Navy League matters and officials of the organisation for the excellent taste displayed in connection with the alterations which have been effected at Prince Robert House. These alterations now enable the management committee to give all sailor patrons of the establishment the fullest shore service possible.

U.S. Casualties Total 131,098

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—The latest casualty total of the armed forces of the United States stands at 131,098.

Secretary of War Stimson said today that from the start of the war to November 30, army casualties in all theatres totaled 88,584. Of these 15,234 were killed, 25,048 wounded, 23,725 missing and 24,577 prisoners of war.

The latest navy total, covering reports received up to today is 32,504, divided as follows: 13,962 killed, 5,868 wounded, 3,416 missing and 4,247 prisoners. Of the 25,040 army wounded, Stimson said, 18,941 have been returned to duty or released from hospitals.

The casualty total for the American elements of the Fifth Army fighting in Italy now are 13,418 Stimson said. Of these 2,010 were killed, 8,561 wounded and 2,826 are listed as missing.

Jumps From 86th Floor to Death

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—A young man walked to the observation deck of the Empire State Building today, tossed away a cigarette and dived over the guard rail.

His body landed amidst a throng of Christmas shoppers 86 floors below.

Navy discharge papers identified him as William Lloyd Rambo, 22, New York.

First Flight 40 Years Ago

MONTREAL, Dec. 17—On the eve of the 40th anniversary of the first aeroplane flight in North America, H. J. Symington, K.C. president, Trans-Canada Air Lines, paid high tribute to Orville and Wilbur Wright, in whose honor special anniversary ceremonies are being held at many points throughout the continent today.

The Wright Brothers made their pioneer flight at Kitty Hawk, N.C., on December 17, 1903 ft lasted 12 seconds and their plane covered a distance of 40 yards.

Mr Symington said: "The service we are rendering in this war effort and the Canadian people would not have been possible but for the then amazing flights of the Wright Brothers 40 years ago.

"Coupled with valuable experiments carried out by other men of that generation, who had the same objective in view, Trans-Canada Air Lines has made steady progress since the commencement of service in 1937. In 1942 T.C.A. planes flew 8,000,000 miles. This serves to illustrate the great strides that have been made in aviation since the time the Wright Brothers plane skimmed over the ground at Kitty Hawk at an altitude of ten feet."

LOCALS ACCEPTED

VANCOUVER, Dec 16 (CP)—Nigel Morgan, executive board member of the International Woodworkers of America, said today that eight I.W.A. locals suspended from the Canadian Congress of Labor since January 25, have been accepted for reaffiliation with the C.C.L.

Gains Promotion

FLT. LIEUT. BARRY BRAUN

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Braun, 151 Wellington Avenue, recently promoted to rank of flight lieutenant in the Royal Canadian Air Force. His younger brother, Dick now expecting furlough at home, is being transferred from service with the Canadian army to air crew and will begin training at expiration of leave.

MAIL AND SHIPS

COASTING CRAFT

VICTORIA-VANCOUVER — Ex. Princess Charlotte or Ex. Princess Alice will leave Victoria daily at 1.30 p.m. for Vancouver. Ex. Princess Charlotte or Ex. Princess Alice will arrive at Victoria daily at 8 a.m. from Vancouver. Ex. Princess Elaine will leave Victoria daily for Vancouver, arrive daily at midnight for Vancouver. Ex. Princess Elaine will leave Vancouver daily at 10 arrive Victoria daily at 7 a.m. from Vancouver. Sundays only a special sailing will leave at 7 p.m. from Vancouver at 11.30 p.m. Ex. Princess Elaine will leave Victoria daily at 7.30 a.m. Ex. Princess Alice will leave Victoria daily for Seattle at 1.30 a.m.; Ex. Princess Elaine daily for Seattle at 1.30 a.m. Ex. Princess Alice will arrive at Victoria daily from Seattle at 6.45 a.m.

VICTORIA-PORT ANGELES — Ex. Impress will leave Victoria for Port Angeles daily at 8.30 a.m. Ex. Impress will arrive Victoria daily from Port Angeles at 6.45 a.m.

VICTORIA-PORT ALBERNI-BRAND-ISLAND — Ex. Princess Mary will leave Victoria for Port Alberni and Brandon Island daily at 8.30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Ex. Princess Mary will leave Port Alberni for Victoria daily at 8.30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

VICTORIA-COLE ISLAND-VANCOUVER — Ex. Princess Mary will leave Victoria at 8.30 a.m. Tuesday, for Vancouver via Cole Islands. Ex. Princess Mary will arrive Vancouver via Cole Islands at 8.30 a.m. Wednesday.

NANAIMO-GABRIOLA — Ex. Princess Mary will leave Nanaimo daily at 3.30 p.m. for Gabriola. Ex. Princess Mary will arrive Nanaimo daily at 8 a.m. from Gabriola.

LONDON, Dec. 16 (CP) — Release from internment of Capt. A. H. U. Ramsay, Conservative member of Parliament for Perthshire, has not been considered, Home Secretary Herbert Morrison today told a House of Commons questioner, Tom Driberg.

Driberg, Independent member for Maldon, had asked if the release of Ramsay, interned under Defence Regulations in May, 1940, had been considered in view of the improvement of the national fortunes.

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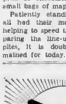

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Social and Personal

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Mrs. Hobart Molson is visiting Vancouver and is staying at the Hotel Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Wilson have returned to their home at Vesuvius Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hudson and Dawson arrived as representatives from Victoria branches of the Canadian Legion. Mr. Hudson played the role of Santa Claus, and the children were delighted to receive gifts of their own choice as supplied by the Legion.

Mr. Dawson presented the Dame Millicent Fawcett prizes to Lois Field and Emmanuel Costa. These prizes are now a tradition at the Solarium, and are given for fortitude to children who have suffered brutally, and who have had treatment to undergo. Both Emmanuel and Lois have been at the Solarium for nearly four years, and have shown great fortitude. They are both very proud of the merit they have won.

The rug made by the children in the school classroom was presented to Geraldine Hair.

The annual sale of the children's handicrafts was managed by Mrs. McMasters, principal of the school, and her assistant, Mrs. Lutsier. The sale of these articles netted over $100. The money will be used to supply additional material for the school.

WELCOME VISITOR WITH WELCOME GIFT

Mr. Mayo Singh paid a surprise visit, and presented to Solarium and very much needed blankets, also cute chocolates for the children. This year, more than ever, everyday officials at the Solarium, was this gift of blankets a real treasure.

During the course of the afternoon Mr. W. Lainey, Mr. E. W. McMullen, of the Solarium Board of directors, Dr. Simpson, medical superintendent; Dr. E. Hart, orthopaedic surgeon, and Mrs. Starr, Dr. O'Neil and Dr. Grant, of the Victoria Dental Association visited the Solarium and joined in the fun.

"We are grateful to these most welcome visitors for coming, and joining in the singing of carols, and generally making what could have been a disappointment, a real party for the children," said Miss Dorothy Andrews.

Tea was served to the visitors under the direction of Miss Grace Pierce, dietitian.

The afternoon ended, leaving sixty happy children with their toys.

Young People's Organizations

C.C.C. A.Y.A.

At a meeting held Wednesday with Miss Irene Webb, president, in the chair, it was decided to hold the annual variety show on April 13 instead of March 2, as previously announced. Greenery and holly for decorating the Cathedral are needed, and may be brought to the hall on Sunday or left at the vestry. The last badminton for this year will be played today at 4 p.m. Darwin Wilkes asked that more games be lent or given to the boys' club. Church calendars were sent to the members by Mrs. Hair. Members were reminded of Corporate Communion at 8 a.m. on the 19th. In place of the usual Sunday evening Fellowship Hour, a dance social will be held in the hall. A scavenger hunt arranged by Group 1 under Darwin Wilkes followed the meeting. Next meeting will be January 5, with "Recuperation" under Group 2.

Welsh Singer Wins Ovation

Thomas L. Thomas, whose beautiful baritone is well known to radio listeners, sang last night at the Royal Victoria Theatre to a capacity audience that enthusiastically acclaimed the young Welshman, giving him a hearty welcome to Victoria and singing a programme that was artistic recital.

Slim, and taller than average, Thomas L. Thomas strikes one pleasantly with his youth, and charm, and above all with his naturalness. He has assumed no formal stage characteristics, and his informality of manner lends to a friendliness that is swiftly built up across the footlights. A generous artist he certainly is happy to please his listeners, and is gracious with encores.

Last night's programme was built into five solo groups, with two piano selections presented by Jacob Hannemann, the excellent accompanist. When asked which group his singer preferred, Mr. Thomas answered in direct, spontaneous way, "I love the whole programme. I arranged the groups because I love to sing them." And, of course, the Welsh group is possibly nearer my soul . . ."

The four Welsh folk songs, "Ar hyd y Nos" "Bugeiler Cymreig Cwyn," "Dafydd y Garreg Wen," and "Ymadawiad" were outstanding beautiful. The impressive and haunting minor note that was emphasized in these songs will linger long in the memories of those fortunate enough to hear Thomas. Admitting he was fighting against a cold, nevertheless the singer was in superb voice, and his range showed no evidence of any vocal trouble. The deep richness of his lower notes was equally as satisfying as the pure, sweet, and easy notes of the upper register. In addition to an exquisitely beautiful voice Mr. Thomas is an actor of charm and irreproachable humor.

For dramatic effect the anger aria Leoncavallo's Prologue from "Pagliacci" was a strong contrast to man and French songs. He was particularly happy in his presentation of Robert Mackintosh's "Thunderin' Wonderin' and Jerin' Jonathan." Two of his encores were also MacGimsey's spirituals, "Shadrack," and "Down to the River." Other encores included Johnson's "Because I Were Blue," and Hermanus La Forge's "Coeur de Notre Dame," and Rossini's "La Danse." The accompanist, Jacob Hannemann, was accorded an ovation at the close of "Isolde's Love Death" from "Tristan and Isolde" (Wagner-Liszt), and Dohnanyi's "Rhapsody in C Major." As an encore he played Debussy's "Clair de Lune."

Thomas L. Thomas was presented by Hilker Attractions.

Drill Team Holds Concert

A very enjoyable concert was given at the Spitfire auditorium last evening by the concert party of the Girls' Drill Team. Mr Warren Martin introduced the master of ceremonies, Miss Gladys Cook.

The opening chorus included all the members of the concert party, Boyd and encore, "If You Please" and "My Blue Heaven," were given by Miss Elaine Rawlinson. A waltz tap dance was presented by Misses D. Pelan, M. Williams, M. McGregor and H. Pearson. A song and encore "I'll Be Home for Christmas" and "In Dreams We Will Be Together," by Miss Vicky Lyle. A Royal Canadian Navy contribution followed by Misses D. McKilop. Song and encore, "You Made Me Love You" and "While Christmas" by Miss Helen McNaught. Concluding the first half of the programme, a "wooden soldier fantasy" was presented by Misses E. Rawlinson, J. Maxwell, D. Maxwell, V. Lyle and H. Pearson.

Annual prizes were given during the intermission by J. F. Johnson, president of the Chamber of Commerce. Perfect attendance records John Pearson, Kay Davidson, Gloria Tevsaro, Joyce Maxwell received awards. Missing one attendance were Agnes MacMillan, Myrtle Lyle, Donna Maxwell, and missing only two attendances were Shirley Harvey, Jean Haverty and Elaine Rawlinson. New members enrolled Mary McGregor, Dorothy Banning and Dorita Palin. A special prize was given to Gloria Tevsaro, who is leaving the drill team to join the nursing service. Flowers were presented to the plaudit, Miss Grace McLean.

The drill team gave Captain Norman Poole a presentation, and Mrs. Foster was honored for her work with the costumes.

The second half of the programme was opened with a song and encore by Miss Joyce Maxwell. "Put Your Arms Around Me" and "Dinah." Tap dance was given by Miss Dorita Palin. Miss Kay Boyd gave two solos, "You're Irish and You're Beautiful" and "I Want to Dream." The waltz ballet, with Miss Vicky Lyle as soloist, included the dancers Miss Gloria Tevsaro, Miss Joan Hayward, Miss Margaret Lamont, Miss Lorraine Clare, Miss Hazel Pearson, Miss Elaine Rawlinson, Miss Myrtle Lyle and Miss Joan Maynard. The ballerina was Miss Dorita Palin.

The army contributed to the entertainment with three yodeling songs given by Pete's Cowboy Band tenturers. Miss Margaret Lamont gave two songs, "I Always You" and "The Dreamer." Military tap by sixteen members of the drill team was followed by the closing chorus singing Christmas carols.

The concert party has been taken from the Girls' Drill Team to go around to the different camps and entertain the armed forces as a more mobile unit than the whole team.

VICTORIA

Victoria Women's Institute will meet in institute rooms, 636 Fort Street, on Friday at 2.15 p.m.

Hindoo Trend

Georgia Carroll models this turban designed by Renie revealing the Hindoo influence in fashion designing.

Street. Mr. Bell, who accompanied his wife, returned to the Mainland on Sunday and will join her here for Christmas. They will also visit Mr. Bell's mother, Mrs. Peter Bell, Beach Drive.

AMBULANCE CORPS ENTERTAINS

The Victoria Women's Ambulance Corps followed the usual custom of Christmas season of the year on Wednesday evening when the members entertained 50 men of the Royal Canadian and Royal Navy at a dance in the K. of P. Hall.

Dancing and novelty dances with prizes were enjoyed to the strains of a popular orchestra. During the evening Miss Peggy Butterfield gave an delightful solo with the boys joining in the chorus. Mr. William Harkness, who acted as master of ceremonies, entertained the gathering with his feats of magic. Supper was served and at the conclusion, Miss M. E. Dunn, second in command of the Women's Ambulance Corps, wished the boys the compliments of the season. That was responded to by a Navy petty officer who expressed the thanks of the men for a most enjoyable evening.

The Blue is the hour with which to begin not only a new home but a new world.

Is Convener of Snow Ball

MISS DOROTHY NEWMAN

An energetic member of the Solarium Junior League, who is general convener of the "Snow Ball" which will be held at the Empress Hotel on December 27, Dorothy will be assisted at the Empress Hotel on December 27, Dorothy will be assisted by the Solarium Junior League, with proceeds to the Queen Alexandra Solarium. The committee include Mrs. G. F. Dunn, Mrs. M. Millar and Miss Peggy Wharton.

Snow Ball to Be Gala Affair

One of the most festive social events of the Victoria Christmas season will be the Snow Ball, the gala holiday dance to be held at the Empress Hotel on Boxing Day, Monday, December 27, under the distinguished patronage of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Woodward, and Hon. John Hart and Mrs. Hart.

Highlighting this year's attractive Snow Ball floor show will be the appearance of the popular R.A.F. dance team, L.A.C. Sonny Harrow and L.A.C. Bill Butler, well-known English entertainers, in a smart modern number, and in keeping with the holiday spirit will be a beautiful "White Christmas" chorus by members of Wynne Shaw's School of the Dance.

White and silver decorations are being used to transform the ballroom into a scene of Winter beauty. A giant snowman will be watched the merry-makers from the orchestra platform, with a frosted lawn and fluffy white snowballs adding to the Winter atmosphere.

A popular nine-piece orchestra will supply the music for dancing from 9.30 to 2 o'clock and a seasonal supper will be served. The Snow Ball is being sponsored by the Solarium Junior League the entire proceeds being used to assist the crippled children at the Queen Alexandra Solarium.

Red Cross Notes

METCHOSIN UNIT

On Saturday evening the Junior Auxiliary to the Metchosin Unit, organized by Mrs. Frances Vallequette, put on a picture show and entertainment in the committee room of the Metchosin Hall, in aid of the Red Cross. The pictures shown were excellent and greatly enjoyed. A contest for a box of Christmas goodies was won by Mr. Horace Carpenter, and the affair netted a substantial sum to swell the funds of the unit at the close of the year.

CLOVERDALE UNIT

The next meeting will be held on January 3.

Women's Institutes

COLWOOD

Mrs. E. Emery was re-elected president of the Colwood Institute at the annual meeting held on Wednesday afternoon in the Colwood Hall. Other officers were: Vice-president, Mrs R. B. Murray; second vice-president, Mrs. F. A. Parker; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. B. W. Parker; directors Mrs. E. Wilkart and Mrs. H. E. Stevens. The president presented Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Wishart and Mrs. Parker with prizes for perfect attendance throughout the year. The secretary-treasurer gave the annual report and read a letter of thanks from the Solarium for a donation of $25. During the year approximately $500 has been earned and spent on war work activities. Prior to July, 4,000 garments weighing 1,300 pounds, had been sent to the Overseas League during the past three years. Since that time nine boxes of clothing have been sent to the Medical Aid to China Society. The members have met weekly to make these garments, and 50 quilts were made and disposed of to raise funds for this purpose. The senior quilting group, under the convenership of Mrs. P. A. Parker, have earned $180 and 30 forty-five patches were sent to local boys in the services, and donations made in various war charities. There will be no sewing meeting until January, when it will be decided what will be done with the garments made.

To all who persevere in spite of overwhelming difficulties the way grows plain, new possibilities are seen and wider horizons rise before them.

Christmas Carols Ring Through Solarium Halls

THURSDAY afternoon at Queen Alexandra Solarium was not such an uneventful day as had been anticipated, with the annual concert party canceled on account of the children's health. During the past week both patients and staff had recovered, and were a little disappointed, because nothing was going to happen. However, Santa Claus, in the person of Mr. Ralph Hudson, and Mr. Dawson, arrived at the Solarium, and gave for fortitude to children who have suffered brutally, and who have had treatment to undergo. Both Emmanuel and Lois have been at the Solarium for nearly four years, and have shown great fortitude. They are both very proud of the merit they have won.

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Clubs and Societies

St. Andrew's W.M.S.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian W.M.S. will hold the annual meeting in the lecture room, at 2.30 p.m. on Monday. Installation of officers will take place and reports of secretaries will be heard.

Brentwood

Brentwood Women's Institute will meet in the institute hall on Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. W. Dempster presiding. The sum of $10 will be sent to the Kiwanis T.B. Fund and $10 to the Red Cross, also a Christmas gift will be sent to the institute's adopted child at the Queen Alexandra Solarium, and a gift to a sick member. Reports by the various committees were given. The institute members have made 600 garments during the year. A gift was presented to the retiring president, Mrs. W. Dempster, who thanked the executive and members for their co-operation during her year in office. Election of officers took place resulting as follows: President, Mrs. H. Gilbert, vice-president, Mrs. A. Moody; secretary, Mrs. George Rickford, treasurer Mrs. B. Robson; directors, Mrs. W. O. Wallace, Mrs. O. Williams and Mrs. A. R. Anderson. A social hour was spent and tea served by the members. Fourteen tables of 500 were in play at the institute's turkey card party held at the hall recently.

W.A. to Canadian Legion

A Christmas party, with Christmas tree, will be held under the auspices of the W.A. Prince Edward Branch, Canadian Legion, next Monday evening, from 7 till 6 o'clock, for children of the district under 12 years of age, in the Legion Hall, Langford. Rev. O. H. Greenhalgh will give a Christmas talk. Final plans were arranged at a directors' meeting held recently at the home of Mrs. A. G. Mackie. Plans were also made to hold an "old-time" dance and dance contest on February 4, in the Colwood Hall, as aid of the war work fund. Convenors will be Mrs. B. Deane-Freeman and Mrs. George Sayers. At the request of the Provincial Command it was also decided to create a scholarship fund for students of Victoria College who wish to attend university and who are sons of the veterans of the last war or who are veterans of this war or the sons of veterans. This will be known as the Women's Auxiliary, Prince Edward Branch, No. 81, Canadian Legion, Scholarship.

United Church W.A.

Mrs. J. B. Bell, president, presided at a meeting of the W.A. of the Shawnigan Lake United Church, held recently at the home of Mrs. J. Richards. The meeting opened with prayer and a devotional roll call. An excellent report was given of the recent successful bazaar and concert. With a view to repeating this function next year, it was decided to purchase material and start immediately to sew for the next bazaar. December 30 was announced as the date for the annual Sunday school Christmas party, and a donation was voted to the Sunday school to assist in arranging the party. A donation was also voted to the Home Mission Board. Mrs. W. G. Challis spoke to the members on the value of the United Church Observer, official church organ, and hoped that the magazine would become well read, and a part of the W.A. organization. Arrangements were made to decorate the church for the Christmas service, which will be held Sunday. Mrs. Bell and Mrs. A. Sutton were retained on the visiting committee for another month. Refreshments were served by the hostess, at which time the members exchanged small Christmas gifts. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. Maitland.

BOY SUFFOCATES

CHEMAINUS, B.C., Dec. 16 (C.P.)—A 10-month-old boy suffocated today at St. Luke's Hospital when he slipped through the side rim of his crib and remained suspended by the arms and shoulders, his face buried in a soft mattress. Coroner T. P. Hesketh said.

Ice Cream Biggest News for Troopers

LONDON, Dec. 6 (CP)—War news got second play today in "Stars and Stripes," the official United States Army newspaper.

The big headline was "Ice Cream Bodies Soon in European Theatre of Operations."

On page 1 was a picture of a heaping dish of ice cream with the caption, "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas."

Ice cream went off the market in Britain about a year ago.

The army canteen announced ice cream freezers and ingredients are en route to Britain.

Saanich Police Court

Four traffic cases were before Magistrate Henry C. Hall in Saanich police court yesterday. One motorist was fined $30 for dangerous driving and owned a blue licence while another driver was assessed $15 for speeding. Failure to stop on approaching an arterial highway cost a motorist $5, and a similar fine was paid by a car operator who was unable to produce his driver's licence at the request of a police officer.

Witty Kitty

A pessimist is one who thinks a good laugh always brings forth a flood of tears.

She Chauffs for the Admiral

Wren Transport Driver Betty Allan, of Winnipeg, is the first woman chosen to drive the naval staff car used by the chief of naval staff for the Royal Canadian Navy. Here Vice-Admiral Percy W. Nelles steps from his car at the door of Naval Service Headquarters as Wren Allen stands by. She drives important visitors as well as the admiral and is responsible for the staff car at all times.

Little Stories for Bedtime

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

BLACKY SCREWS UP HIS COURAGE

If you of sight, then out of mind. This is a saying which you often hear. It may be true sometimes, but it is very far from true at other times. Take the case of Blacky the Crow. Blacky had had only a glance into that nest just inside the door of Farmer Brown's henhouse, but that glance had been enough to show him two eggs there. Then as Blacky flew away toward the Green Forest those eggs were out of sight, of course. But do you think they were out of mind? Not much! No, indeed! In fact, those eggs were very much in Blacky's mind. He couldn't think of anything else. He flew straight to a certain tall pine tree in a lonely part of the Green Forest. Whenever Blacky wants to think or to plan mischief he seeks that particular tree, and in the shelter of its broad branches he keeps out of sight of curious eyes and there he also is still as still can be.

He walked right up to the open door and peered inside

"I want one of those eggs," muttered Blacky as he settled himself on a certain particular branch of that tall pine tree. Indeed, that particular branch might well be called the "mischief branch," for on it, sitting right where he was, Blacky has thought out and planned most of the mischief he is so famous for. "Yes, sir," he continued, "I want one of those eggs, and what is more I am going to have one." He half closed his eyes and tipped his head back and swallowed a couple of times as if he already tasted one of those eggs. "There is more in one of those eggs than in a whole mess full of Watson Robin's eggs. It is a very long time since I have been lucky enough to taste a hen's egg. I'm not sure that I ever did. I like having to go inside that henhouse even though the nest is barely inside the door. I'm suspicious of doors. They have a way of closing most unexpectedly. I might see if I cannot get Uncle Billy Possum to bring one of those eggs out for me. But that plan won't do, come to think of it, because I can't trust Uncle Billy. The old sinner is too fond of eggs himself. I would be willing to divide with him, but he would be sure to eat his first and I fear that he would want more that he would eat the other. No, I've got to get one of those eggs myself. It is the only way I can be sure of it.

"The thing to do is to make sure that Farmer Brown's boy and Farmer Brown himself are nowhere about. They ought to be down in the cornfield pretty soon. With them down there I have only to watch my chances and slip in. It won't take a second. Just a little courage, Blacky. Just a little courage. Nothing in this world worth having is gained without some risk. The thing to do is to make sure that the risk is as small as possible."

Blacky shook out his feathers and then flew out of the tall pine tree so silently as he had flown into it. He headed straight toward Farmer Brown's cornfield. When he was near enough to see all over the field he dropped down to the top of a fence post and there he waited. He didn't have to wait long. In fact, he had been there but a few minutes when he spied two people coming down the Long Lane toward the cornfield. He looked as them sharply and then gave a little sigh of satisfaction. They were Farmer Brown and Farmer Brown's boy. Presently they reached the cornfield and turned into it. Then they went to work and Blacky knew that as far as they were concerned the way was clear for him to visit the henyard.

He didn't go straight there. Oh, my, no! Blacky is too clever to do anything like that. He flew toward the Green Forest. When he knew that he was out of sight of those in the cornfield he turned and flew over to the Old Orchard and from the top of one of the old apple trees he studied the henyard and the barnyard and Farmer Brown's house and the barn to make absolutely sure that there was no danger near. When he was quite sure he silently flew down into the henyard, as he had done many times before. He pretended to be looking for scattered grains of corn, but all the time he was edging nearer and nearer to the open door of the henhouse. At last he could see the box with the hay in it. He walked right up to the open door and peered inside. There was nothing to be afraid of that he could see. Still he hesitated. He did hate to go inside that door even for a minute, and that is all it would take to fly up to that nest and get one of those eggs.

Blacky closed his eyes for just a second, and when he did that he seemed to see himself eating one of those eggs. "What are you afraid of?" he muttered to himself as he opened his eyes. Then, with a hurried look in all directions he flew up to the edge of the box. There lay the two eggs.

Next story: An Egg That Wouldn't Behave.

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These Canucks Have Already Bagged Two Mark IV's

Note the Maple Leaf crest with the Beaver superimposed on this Sherman tank of the Three Rivers regiment in Italy. Two small swastikas indicate German Mark IV's destroyed. "Canada" is not now at Regalbuto, in Sicily, and the other at Termoli, in Italy. Shown here are Major Pat Mills, Crew Commander Lieut. Waldron and the commanding officer.

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Premier King Back, 69 Today

OTTAWA, Dec. 16 (CP).—Prime Minister Mackenzie King, who will be 69 years old tomorrow, was back at his office in Ottawa today after a ten-day trip to Washington and New York.

His first official act on his return was to attend a meeting of the War Committee of the Cabinet this afternoon, and he will probably spend part of his birthday presiding.

After the War Committee meeting he went to Government House to confer with the Governor-General.

Mr. King described his trip as "partly business, partly personal," but said he had nothing to say as yet about the business side of it.

Having left New York just one day before the return of President Roosevelt from the Cairo and Teheran conferences, Mr. King said he wished he could have stayed a few days longer to see the President, but had to return to attend to one or two pressing matters here.

Asked about a prospective conference of Empire Prime Ministers in London, he said efforts are being made to arrange such a meeting and he is ready to go at any time the other overseas leaders can be there.

For our help we need ideas but more, their embodiment in a person, with a person as Christ who can not only direct but impart the power to do.

Canadians Arrive in Italy

A British Military Policeman, Left, and an American M.P., Right, Check In the First Canadian Soldiers Off a Troop Ship Carrying Canadian Soldiers As They Disembark at an Italian Port.

Reeve Lockley Scoffs At Eaton's Statements

REEVE Alex Lockley, Esquimalt, speaking in Esquimalt Municipal Hall last night, called statements made by his opponent, Councillor F. G. Eaton, "half-truths," and ridiculed Councillor Eaton's description of him as a "dictator."

Councillor Eaton's pamphlets and other issues in December, 1942, stated, the reeve declared, that Esquimalt's mill rate, 34 in 1933, had been brought back to that figure in 1943. That this had been done in spite of increased expenditures constituted an endorsement of the present administration, the reeve said. "Any person with a business mind would be bound to vote for me on reading Eaton's pamphlets," he declared.

At one council meeting, Eaton said financial matters were over his head," Reeve Lockley stated. "Now he is posing as a financial wizard." Without help, the reeve said, Eaton could not have "put together two lines of these pamphlets in two weeks."

Concerning "dictatorship" charges, the reeve asserted: "My three daughters manage me so how can I be a dictator?" He pointed out that his chairmanship of the A.R.P. committee, ration board and police commission were mandatory.

Of Esquimalt's $2,104,000 worth of assessed land in 1939, $1,065,000 was tax exempt, being held by the Dominion Government, and over 80 per cent of improvements were also exempt. No one had fought more than himself for relief of this situation, the reeve added.

Councillor Eaton's "brains trust" had advocated refunding of Esquimalt's sewer loan at a lower rate of interest, saying that $8,900 a year would be saved on $400,000. However, the reeve pointed out, $148,000 of the loan had been paid off. Esquimalt's total net debentures were only $221,378, including school costing $20,000, now almost complete, was being made at no cost to Esquimalt.

In comparing school costs of $24,000 in 1941 and $32,000 for this year, the reeve said, Councillor Eaton had chosen 1941 as a low-cost year. Attendance then was 429 and this year 600.

Esquimalt's mill rate had been reduced from 42 in 1937 to 34 this year, Reeve Lockley explained. A reduction to 33 next year was possible, he thought. Better tax collections, and property sales, had made the reductions possible, in spite of increased costs caused by higher population. The rate reduction was a good reason for his return as reeve, he declared.

His long experience and his interest in the municipality, the speaker said, made him the best man to direct rehabilitation work in Esquimalt after the war.

EATON MADE TROUBLE IN A.R.P.

Turning to civil defence matters, Reeve Lockley said there had been trouble only in the first aid section, headed by Councillor Eaton. "Eaton made politics there from the first," he declared. Councillor Eaton, he said, had requisitioned $650 for medical supplies, but review of the requisition by the medical health officer had reduced it to $250.

The reeve declared that he had failed in nothing concerning civil defence.

Following efforts of the reeve, Wartime Housing had announced it would erect a large recreation building on a lot given by the municipality.

Councillor Eaton, the reeve commended, had proposed closing one of Esquimalt's three beer parlors. "He hasn't a chance to do it," the speaker said. "No council has that authority."

Asking his re-election, Reeve Lockley declared: "This is no time to make a change."

Councillor Thomas Hadfield, chairman, speaking for himself and the reeve, answered other statements of Councillor Eaton. An experienced reeve, he said, would be needed by Esquimalt in hard days ahead. He did not approve of the appearance of Wartime Housing projects, but would fight for them again nevertheless. The staff of Yarrows Ltd. had to be increased from 200 to 3,200, and homes had been needed.

Abolishment of road and poll taxes, previously proposed by Councillor Eaton, would have caused a 3½-mill increase.

Councillor Eaton, he said, "started his campaign for reeve before the first 1943 council meeting. He told all the other councillors to back Hadfield and Lockley."

Councillor R. Guillermard said that as chairman of the fire and lighting committee he had improved Esquimalt's fire protection. A new truck had been secured and a garage for fire equipment built. He and Councillor Hadfield asked re-election. F. Higgins, running as an independent candidate, spoke briefly.

"Little Henry" on Canadian Tank

"Little Henry" of comic strip fame, blossoms forth on the side of a Canadian tank in Italy, ready to give the "raspberry" to the Nazis—Lance-Corporal N. R. Lennard, of Montreal, Canada, gives Henry a dose of his own medicine.

Joe Gordon Will Enter Services

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 16 (AP).—Joe Gordon, the New York Yankees' second baseman, announced today he would enlist in the armed forces this Winter.

Gordon, 28, who has two small children, would not indicate what branch of the service he would enter. He is a pilot, and is known to prefer an aviation branch.

Monty Wins a Bet

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN ITALY, Dec. 16 (AP).—His eyes twinkling, Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery told his men, "A lot of people are taking money betting on when we get to Rome," and added:

"I made £10 this morning, myself."

He did not specify what he had put his money on but the remark suggested he had not expected to see Rome just yet—unless he was wagering on a mile-by-mile basis or making some other side bet.

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Sir Frank Newson-Smith, cables: "Many thanks for your gift of £1,600 for children's Christmas, nearly all money for this purpose comes from Canada. The money for Yuletide parties is spent in over 1643 districts throughout the United Kingdom, who find it best to operate through the schools. Local mayors attend a large proportion of the parties which are really jolly affairs with a Punch and Judy show, ventriloquist or conjurer to entertain the children. The Food Ministry is making concessions for special food allotments to badly bombed districts."

Children in their own homes in Britain will be provided with Christmas cheer by loving parents. However, with the support of Canadian dollars, everything that ingenuity and good organization can do is being done by committees of the Lord Mayor's Fund on behalf of the Queen's Canadian Fund to brighten Christmas for the homeless, the orphaned, the evacuated and the maimed among Britain's children.

What Today Means

"SAGITTARIUS"

If December 17 is your birthday, the best hours for you on this date are from 9 to 11 a.m., from 1 to 3 p.m., and from 7 to 9 p.m. The danger periods are from 7 to 9 a.m., from 5 to 7 p.m., and from 9 to 11 p.m.

There are many indications that you may have much more to lose than gain through engaging in any kind of a controversy today. Through the making of reasonable concessions today you should be able to accomplish far more than if you take an arbitrary stand regarding any debatable question. A good day for you to make up your mind to verify any kind of an unfavorable report before you accept it in its entirety, remembering that there are generally "two sides to every story." It will be good judgment to remember that "actions speak louder than words," and until a promise is fulfilled it should only be regarded as an intention that may or may not materialize into a reality. Married and engaged couples, as well as prospective fiancees, may find it helpful to realize that "there is no repose for the mind except in the absolute; for feeling, except in the infinite; for the soul, except in the divine."

If a woman and December 17 is your birthday your self-appointed mission in life should be to endeavor to encourage those who need encouragement, and to do as much as you can to add to the happiness of those who are around you. You can accomplish more with a gentle, well-modulated voice than you ever can with vehement words and threats, especially if you are in a position of authority. During this particular period remember that through an unlimited amount of faith miracles have been wrought, and you will be greatly helped if you will only hold steadfast to yours under even the most trying conditions. As a trained nurse, volunteer for government service factory employee, writer, saleslady, demonstrator, professional entertainer, business manager, singer, actress, artist, or musician, you will probably slowly but surely climb to the topmost rung of the ladder of success. You should, through matrimony, secure your heart's desire.

The child born on December 17 is generally a frank, fearless youngster, with a lovable disposition and a magnetic smile. Through conscientious work and demonstrated ability this youngster is apt to make for itself a place in the world of affairs, while still a comparatively young person.

If a man and December 17 is your natal day, the more successful you are in correcting your faults and shortcomings the greater the degree of success you will attain. As a lawyer, inventor, doctor, explorer, literary man, journalist, engineer, architect, builder, contractor, business executive, or through your activity in some branch of your country's military service, you may win many admirers and well-deserved rewards.

(The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

Japs Refuse to Fight at Truk

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP).—Literally daring the Japanese fleet to come out of its great bastion at Truk, a United States carrier task force sailed close to that South Pacific island, but the Japanese refused to fight, it was revealed here.

Captain John N. Cassady, skipper of the aircraft carrier Saratoga, told a press conference:

"We were sent up on guinea pig runs on Truk trying to get the Japanese to poke their nose out but they stayed securely behind their nets in the harbor."

He declined to estimate how close the Saratoga sailed to the biggest Japanese base in the South Pacific.

Cassady predicted that if the American campaign of pushing the Japanese back from the South Pacific should be carried to Truk the enemy base will be found "much more strongly defended than Rabaul."

Alberta C.W.A.C. New Pin-Up Girl

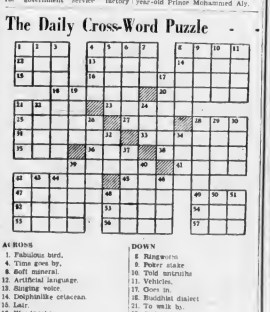
RED DEER, Alta., Dec. 16 (CP).—The Army Service Corps training centre here has its "pin-up girl"—an Alberta-born C.W.A.C. She is Pte. Shirley Watrin, of High River.

Various companies and groups in the centre named representatives, and Pte. Watrin was voted the "woman" girl over 13 contestants, all C.W.A.C.s. She was presented with a silver tea service and tray.

Other contestants were Pte. Rita Lees, of Warnden, Sask.; Marge Butler, Bottrel, Alta.; Kathleen Rupp, Marwell, Sask.; Audrey Andruko, Edmonton; Noreen Derman, Kneeling Man; Marie Clarke, New Westminster, B.C.; Kay Murray, Drumheller, Alta.; Joyce Dermody, Vancouver; Rita Gordey, Vilna, Alta.; Lorraine Cossarelli, Hoffmburg, Sask.; and Cpls. Vivian Kells, Hardisty, Alta., and Jessie Vanhuten, Wetaskiwin, Alta.

CAIRO, Dec. 16 (AP).—A daughter was born yesterday to Queen Farida of Egypt and King Farouk. She is their third daughter, and there is still no heir to the throne except 70-year-old Prince Mohammed Ali.

The Daily Cross-Word Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Fabulous bird.
4. Time goes by.
8. Soft mineral.
12. Artificial language.
13. Singing voice.
14. Delphinilike cetacean.
15. Lair.
16. Woodworker.
18. Lean.
20. Wants.
21. Parent (coll.).
23. "Unsinkable aircraft carrier".
25. Seed coating (pl.).
27. Girl's name.
28. Greek letter.
29. Continued story.
31. Fishes from moving boat.
33. Compass point.
35. Beverage.
37. Vapor.
39. Peak.
41. Knocks lightly.
42. Crown.
45. Storage pits.
47. To unravish.
49. To sum up.
52. Small amount.
53. Extent of land.
54. Correlative of neither.
55. Cote.
56. Headland.
57. To attempt.

DOWN

1. To free of.
2. Poem.
3. To plot together.
4. South American rodent.
5. Signal.
6. Brook.
7. Highest point.
8. Ringworm.
9. Poker stake.
10. Told untruths.
11. Vehicles.
17. Over in.
19. Buddhist dialect.
21. To walk by.
22. God of war.
24. Buddhist pillar.
26. Despotic official.
28. Agreeable.
29. To strike with the open hand.
30. Doctrines.
32. Confederate general.
34. Man's name.
37. To make certain.
38. Ruffs.
40. Wearies.
42. Organized group for play.
43. Preposition.
44. In a line.
46. Meadows.
48. Lights brown.
50. Click beetle.
51. Acid.

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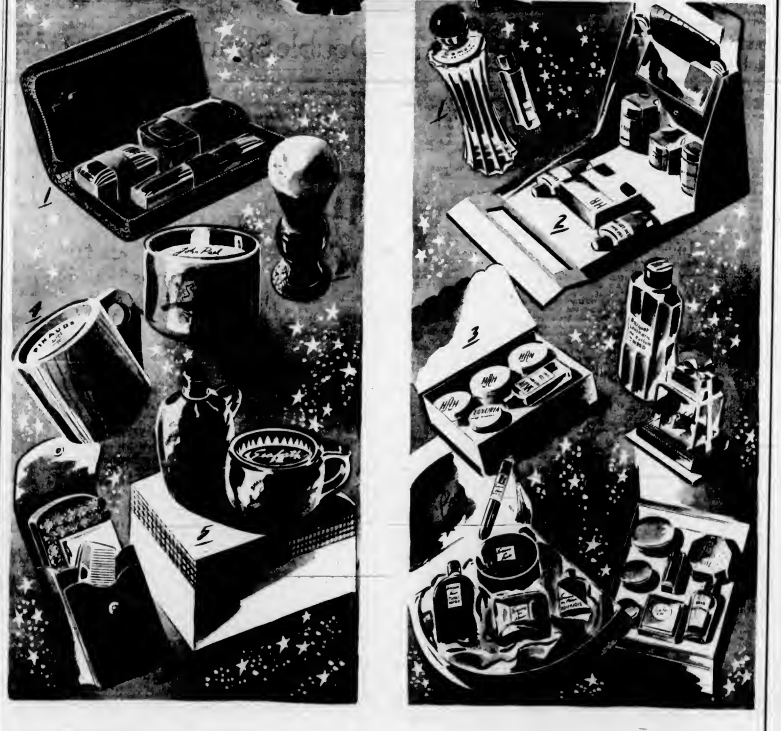

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That Body of Yours

BY JAMES W. BARTON M.D.

ERGOTAMINE TARTRATE IN TREATMENT OF SHINGLES—HERPES ZOSTER

For several years now the routine treatment for one-sided headache "sick" headache, neuralgic headache or migraine, as it is officially called, has been ergotamine tartrate or ergotrate. Another method is the inhaling of pure oxygen.

That ergotamine tartrate is of help also in another disease called a skin disease because there are tiny pimples or sores on the skin, is now known. It is known as herpes zoster or shingles.

There is an eruption usually on one side of the body following the course of the underlying nerves, consisting of little round broken pimples or blisters rising from red swollen skin surface. There is usually pain in the region and a slight rise in temperature. The patient has little or no appetite and nausea and vomiting occurs in some cases. The eruption may come on within a few hours after the patient becomes aware of his "sorry" feeling or it may not appear until the third or fourth day. The little vesicles contain a clear fluid at first but finally contain pus. It is called a "self-limiting" disease because it usually runs its course in four to six weeks and fortunately seldom leaves any effects except a few small scars on the skin.

Second attacks seldom occur which puts it in a class with some of the other acute skin diseases such as scarlet fever, measles, chicken pox, smallpox, and others. Unfortunately complications sometimes arise lasting for months.

There has been no specific remedy for shingles, although there was a recent report on the use of one of the sulfa drugs.

In The Swiss Medical Journal Drs. Prisi-Moller and A. Stokly state that ergotamine tartrate is highly effective in the treatment of shingles. Dr. Stokly administered 0.5 cubic centimeters of ergotamine tartrate by hyperderme for six successive days in the treatment of six patients. With the exception of nausea and vomiting in two cases, there were no ill effects. Five of the six patients showed considerable improvement after the second injection. The ergotamine tartrate must not be used in cases of severe heart disease or Raynaud's disease (severe loss of circulation in hands and feet).

In another six cases Dr. Stokly gave 0.5 cubic centimeters of ergotamine tartrate daily for one to six days in the treatment of six patients. With the exception of nausea and vomiting in two cases, there were no ill effects. Five of the six patients showed considerable improvement after the second injection. The ergotamine tartrate must not be used in cases of severe heart disease or Raynaud's disease (severe loss of circulation in hands and feet).

In another six cases Dr. Stokly gave 0.5 cubic centimeters on the first day and one centimeter daily after that until no effect could be noticed and then resumed the 0.5 dose. The treatment was successful in all 12 cases.

It will be interesting to watch the effects of ergotamine tartrate in the treatment of this disease, the cause of which is still unknown.

Canada's Honor Roll

Army

OTTAWA—The Canadian Army in its 600th list named the following Western Canada casualties:

OVERSEAS

OFFICERS WOUNDED

Alberta Regt.: Capt. Alexander Anderson Colchter, Edmonton, Alta.

AND MEN KILLED IN ACTION

Royal Canadian Artillery: Gnr. Georgs Hough, Cochlan, B.C.; Sgt. Earl Floyd Moore, Moose Jaw, Sask.; Gnr. David Lenard Pearce, Lancer, Sask.; Art. L.-Sgt. Paul Smashuk, Andrew, Alta.;

DIED

British Columbia Regt.: Sgt. Thomas Morley Levick, Trail, B.C.

Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps: Pte. Charles William Rhind, Vancouver, B.C.

DANGEROUSLY ILL

Saskatchewan Regt.: Pte Ronald Arthur Tayles, Lacombe, Alta.

Alberta Regt.: Pte. Thomas David Gilgan, Tchesinkut, B.C.

SERIOUSLY ILL

Canadian Armored Corps: Tpr. Donald Lloyd Dean, Red Deer, Alta.

Royal Canadian Artillery: Gnr. John Merchison, Marwayne, Alta.

Royal Canadian Engineers: Spr. Thomas Harrison Decker, Meadow Lake, Sask.; Spr. Edward Leonard Olson, Chagwell, Alta.

Royal Canadian Army Service Corps: Pte. Louis Fred Garbe, Melville, Sask.

Plucked Turkey Returns to Life

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 16 (AP).—Reporters and photographers of The Augusta Herald staff were on a turkey hunt here.

They were looking for a bird without any feathers and wearing a droopy look.

The turkey, they were told by a school teacher, was purchased for Thanksgiving dinner last month by another school teacher. Having no men in the family, the latter hit upon the idea of chloroforming, instead of beheading the bird. She then dry-picked the turkey and put it in the refrigerator.

The following day, the story went, she opened the refrigerator and the nude turkey staggered out.

School teacher No. 1 stoutly avers that school teacher No. 2 was overcome with remorse and fixed a sweater for the de-feathered bird.

Sacred Cantata

"Penitence, Pardon and Peace", a sacred cantata written by Maunder specially for Advent, will be rendered by the choir of First Baptist Church at its regular service on Sunday evening. The choir will be under the direction of Oliver Stout, conductor and organist, and the soloists will be Mrs. J. Peters, Miss Hazel Clyde, Arthur Jackman and Ralph McAdam.

SCOUTS INVITE PARENTS

The Langford Boy Scout Troop invites the parents to visit their meeting on December 21 from 7 o'clock on in the Women's Institute Hall. More understanding and co-operation is asked from the parents, and understanding the activities will help a great deal.

Canadian Soldier Handles Traffic

Lance-Corporal D. C. Stackhouse, of Ottawa, Ont., Directing Traffic in Front of a Cluster of Signs in the Town Square of Campobasso, Italy.

Confused by Report

The recent search near Shannigan Lake for Kenneth Duncan, missing Victoria hunter, was misleading to W. A. McAdam, agent-general for British Columbia at London and a former Cowichan resident. He cabled to Duncan expressing anxiety for his brother-in-law, Kenneth Duncan, a prominent Duncan businessman who is not related to the missing man. His brother-in-law immediately cabled reassurances.

South Revels In Snowstorm

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 16 (AP).—Blaid businessmen deserted their offices to engage in a snowball fight. . . . A military policeman and a civilian officer exchanged icy pellets at each other in obvious glee. . . . Adult lovers of the out-of-doors expressed their exultation in artistic designing of a huge snowman. . . . And soldiers from the United States North looked on in nostalgic appreciation.

It snowed in the United States deep South yesterday, in some places for the first time in decades, as Winter roared down to the Gulf of Mexico.

Most surprised city was Pensacola, Fla., which was blanketed in white for the first time since 1894.

New Orleans, too, received a mild shock as snow fell there for the first time in eight years and Albany, Ga., revelled in its first billowy precipitation in a decade.

Businessmen at Sylvania, Ga., scooped up the big fluffy flakes deposited in the heaviest snowfall in 15 years, piled wary passersby.

Traffic Disrupted

NORTH BAY, Ont., Dec. 16 (CP).—Twenty-three freight cars were derailed last night and railway traffic disrupted for several hours when the southbound Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway freight train struck a broken rail about one mile north of Otto Park near Lake Isard, railway officials here said today. No one was injured.

Beef and Pork Glut Storage

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP).—Stockyards and slaughterhouses in the United States now have more beef and pork than they can handle and vast quantities will spoil unless an immediate two-week meat rationing moratorium is called, says George A. Casey, Independent Meat Packers Association president.

He told a New York State Legislative committee on nutrition public hearing yesterday that major stockyards could not be cleared daily because of an oversupply of hogs and that the Government had asked farmers to hold back livestock from the market.

Eastern slaughterhouses, he said, are working overtime to process meat which cannot be sent abroad immediately under lend-lease because of shipping shortages and cannot be released to the public because of rationing.

Beef and pork products, he declared, are "glutting every meat warehouse east of Ohio."

Under a suspension of rationing, he added, meat could be sold at regular United States Office of Price Administration ceiling prices and would deal "a death blow to the black market."

Decision Reserved

OTTAWA, Dec. 16 (CP).—Dining-car employees of the Canadian Pacific Railway today asked the National War Labor Board to introduce overtime rates and increase wages for a number of classifications of dining-car workers. The board reserved its decision.

The application, which affects some 1,100 workers, was made by the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen (A.F. of L.)

More than 2,750,000 houses in England and Wales were damaged by bombs from the start of the war up to November, 1942.

Friday Radio Programmes

CFJC—1490 kc.

6:00 News
6:05 Bonnie Bernardo
6:15 Sunrise Serenade
6:30 Meditations
6:40 Rhapsodies
7:00 Morning News
7:05 Good Morning
7:45 Good Morning
10:00 Novelty
10:15 Diary of the Week
10:30 Melody
10:45 "Thou Art Mine"
11:00 Make Mine Music
11:15 Melodies Old and New
11:30 Mother's Wife
11:45 Song
12:00 Jack Paradis
12:15 Ely and Sue
12:30 Farm
12:45 Dominion Rosetime
1:00 John Kierzan
1:15 Cinema Treasures
1:30 Song Sensations
1:45 Melodies Old and New
2:00 Melody Time
2:15 Melody Time
2:30 Music Lovers
2:45 Music Lovers
3:00 Melodies Old and New
3:15 Wendell Hall
3:30 News
3:45 Dr. Kildare
4:00 Jack Paradis
4:15 Jackpot Bands
4:45 Headline Bands
5:00 Tunes for a Dance
5:15 Dinnick and Sweet
5:30 Sports Review
5:45 Art Command
6:00 News
6:15 Wendell Headline
6:30 Gods of Two Cities
6:45 Gods of Two Cities
7:00 Mystery Club
7:15 Mystery Club
7:30 Mystery Club
7:45 Dance Orchestra
8:00 Dance Time
8:15 War Correspondent
8:30 Hockey Game
8:45 Hockey Game
9:00 Hockey Game
9:15 Hockey Game
9:30 Hockey Game
9:45 Hockey Game
10:00 Hockey Game
10:15 Hockey Game
10:30 News
10:45 Music and Mirth
11:00 Milton Charles
11:15 Milton Charles
11:45 Close

CBR—1290 kc.

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Fred Lee Family
Philip Arbenfeld
Philip Arbenfeld
B.C. News
Lyn Murray
Lorr Lisson
Xantor Sonatorium
Morning Visit
Roger Quinn
Roger Quinn
"Thou Art Mine"
New You're Telling
Ladies Fair
Mother's Wife
Orchestra
Farm Broadcast
Farm Broadcast
Farm
Dr. Brock Bosenbloom
Solos
Winnings On Peace
John Bethel
Jack Arnold
Music
Song Pluggs
Song Pluggs
Jack Paradis
Maple Crossbeats
Maple Crossbeats
Maple Chord
B.C. News
Vocalcade
Vocalcade
Maple Crossbeats
Maple Crossbeats
Maple Chord
B.C. News
Dinner Dance
Dinner Dance
Quiz of Two Cities
Quiz of Two Cities
Tunes Grown On Trees
Tunes Grown On Trees
Dance Orchestra
Dance Orchestra
A Moment
Hockey Game
Hockey Game
Hockey Game

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Glancing Over Sport—

By JOE DELAHUNTY

THE DAY'S

Hockey fans turned out in full force last night at the Vancouver Forum to bid farewell to four Army seamen. The arena was pretty well jammed and the crowd gave the boys a fine ovation when the final tong sounded. We all know who they are, namely, Elmer Kreiler, Met Lundie, Bill Gorse and Terry Reardon. It really too bad those fellows couldn't have played their last Coast game in this city, for three of them carried Victoria colors right into the Allan Cup final last season, hopping over such touted opposition as Calgary and Winnipeg in doing so . . . The Flyers from Sea Island owed out the soldiers by the odd goal in 11, but that's nothing to be ashamed of, for those airmen are going to be toughies for the rest of the campaign, mark my words . . . Fellows closely connected with the Navy club were surprised to hear that Glen Richardson and Gordon Peirce were going to be lost to the team for the rest of the season. None of them knew nothing about it until the afternoon hoofie hit the streets and, as far as they are concerned, nothing is definite regarding these two popular players. "Just a rumor which bears no foundation at the present moment," stated one official over the phone last night to this department. "Where some of these fellows get their information is beyond me," stated another who I contacted during my investigation . . . Victory for the R.C.A.F. moved them into first place in the hockey circuit, a single point ahead of the Navy and four in front of the Army lads, who hold down the third slot in the first division.

FROM HERE AND THERE

Toronto Maple Leafs ran into tough luck last night during their battle with the Detroit Red Wings when Mel Hill, starry centre, was packed off the ice with a broken ankle. That means the "little fellow," who Lester Patrick let slip through his fingers a few seasons ago, will be on the shelf for the rest of the season. Hill is the same fellow who beat the Rangers almost single-handed when performing on the front line for the Boston Bruins in the Stanley Cup play-offs . . . Tonight at the Willows Arena it will be the VMD and St. Regis Hotel. Met some of the shipbuilders squad yesterday and they feel confident of taking the points from Mr. Coley Hall and Company. Well, in this case, the scribbler goes with on that shaky limb and predicts a local victory by a three-goal margin, and don't come back and say I didn't tell you so . . . Bob Lloyd, Army liaison, manager of the Navy Hockey Club, will be out of action for the next couple of weeks. He is now in the Naval Hospital and will undergo a minor operation some time today. Speedy recovery, Andy (that's the good wish from this typewriter . . . By the way, Andy, I'D hit another one right on the chin the other day when the Royal Air Force clashed with the Navy in that important First Division football match at the Athletic Park I picked the Flyers for two goals and the score happened to be 2-0 in their favor after 89 minutes of strenuous kicking the leather around. Local race trackers are tabbing Alsab to win the $25,000 feature event this coming Saturday. The "iron man," George Woolf, will be aboard him and the chances are that he'll know more about it than we do when the field hits the judge's stand.

ODDS AND ENDS

Do you know that it will be three years ago in a few more days that Westerwegel Champion Pritis Zivic and Lew Jenkins, then king of the lightweights, fought a ten-round draw in Madison Square Garden? Jenkins, despite the weight he gave away, moved into the lead on points in the first five bouts, but Zivic rallied in the late sessions to gain a draw . . . Remember when Officials of the International Boxing Federation refused to permit a fellow named Brominion Sparks to challenge Jack Dempsey for the heavyweight crown? That's just 18 years ago. The boxing dicks stated that Sparks was too inexperienced for the hard-punching Manassa Mauler. "It would be downright murder," shouted one official to the manager of the would-be challenger . . . Chuck Durrant well known basketball and softball manager, will be over here tomorrow with the Boring basketballers. Victoria boys fans will know Chuck well for he has been bringing clubs to the city from Seattle for a good many years. He was a great supporter of the Dominoes when that team was winning and leading championships. On several occasions he traveled from the Boston City to Vancouver to watch the Dons play in provincial finals, lending advice when asked by the local mainstreamers . . . Received an airgraph Christmas and New Year's greetings from the Old Country yesterday from ex-sailor Cecil Tiernan, one of the Esquimalt football first baseman this city ever laid eyes upon. He says he is enjoying himself and is looking forward to the day when he lands back in good old Victoria and gets back in the swing of things once more . . . Hockey fans are still asking the question, Where is Turk Broda, former goal tender for the Toronto Maple Leafs? Well, as far as this corner knows he was last heard of in an army camp in Chilliwack. He was never in Victoria as rumored by the opposition paper a few days ago.

Licari Is Scoring Star in Victory

Notches Three Goals in Flyers' 6-5 Win Over Army—Game Here Tonight

LEAGUE STANDINGS

	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Goals Pts.
R.C.A.F.	7	1	1	56	33	15
Navy	6	2	0	28	31	12
Army	4	5	0	47	41	12
V.M.D.	4	4	1	32	18	9
C.P.A.	1	5	0	35	56	2
St. Regis	1	2	1	33	54	3

LAST NIGHT'S SCORE

R.C.A.F., 6; Nanaimo Army, 5.

NEXT GAME

Tonight, V.M.D. vs. St. Regis Hotel, at the Willows.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 16 (CP). — Sea Island R.C.A.F. Seahawks vailed over Nanaimo Navy into first place in the Pacific Coast Senior Hockey League by edging out Nanaimo Army Commanders 6-5 here tonight before a crowd of about 3,500.

L.A.C. Tony Licari led the Seahawks' attack with three goals. A.C2 Wing Johnston with two and Cpl. Jack Adams got the others. Army scorers were Gnr. Met Lundie with two, Cadet Dave MacKay, Lieut. Terry Reardon and Gnr. Sam Kennedy.

The win gave the Seahawks 15 points compared to Navy's 14 and Army's 12.

The airmen were without Flg. Off. Lou Lachance, their defenceman, who was taken to hospital a short time before the game suffering from influenza.

It was the last game for Nanaimo for three of the players and Bill Carse, who have been posted to an unannounced station. Reardon, Carse, Lundie, Gordon Peirce and Sgt. Elmer Kreiler.

It was the fastest game on Vancouver or New Westminster ice this season and the airmen showed a definite edge in the first two periods. When the soldiers came to life in the third, Seahawks tightened up enough to assure a win.

Sea Island went into a 2-1 lead in the first period on goals by Johnston and Licari, with the Lundie counter sandwiched between. In the second the airmen increased the margin to 4-3 with Licari's two goals and one by Adams, while Lundie and MacKay were counting for the soldiers.

In the third Reardon fired a goal but this was matched by an R.C.A.F. counter from Johnston before Kennedy ended the scoring.

LINE-UPS

Army—Regnier; MacKay, Sawchuk; Lundie, Kennedy, Melnyk (Sub.: Metz, Drolfes), Reardon, Kreiler, McIndoe, Dufault, Marso.

R.C.A.F. — Kavanaugh; Swaney, Norris; Quilty, Johnston, Adams (Sub.: Smith, Shanahock, Licari, Blair, King, Koch.

Officials—Klyn and Cransioun.

SUMMARY

First Period—1, R.C.A.F., Johnston, 2:17; 2, Army, Lundie (Kennedy-MacKay), 16:21; 3, R.C.A.F., Licari (Shanahock), 18:07. Penalties: Melnyk, Reardon, Adams.

Second Period—4, R.C.A.F., Adams (Johnston), 14:3; 5, R.C.A.F., Licari (Johnston), 8:21; 6, Army, Lundie, 6:07; 7, R.C.A.F., Licari, 15:54; 8, Army, MacKay (Reardon), 18:40. Penalties: Quilty, MacKay 2.

Third Period—9, Army, Reardon (Dufault), 10:33; 10, R.C.A.F., Johnston, 19:16; 11, Army, Kennedy (Lundie), 12:37. Penalties: Smith, Reardon, Johnston.

Congratulations for New Prexy of Phillies

Robert M. Carpenter, Jr., new president of the Philadelphia National League club, receives the congratulations of baseball's "big three" at a session of the National and American Leagues meeting in the Roosevelt Hotel, New York. Left to right are Carpenter, William Harridge, president of the American League, Judge Kenesaw M. Landis, and Ford Frick, president of the National League.

Hill Breaks Ankle During Ice Battle

Toronto Centre Star Lost to Squad—Red Wings Turn Back the Leafs, 4-1

LEAGUE STANDINGS

	W.	L.	T.	F.	A.	Goals Pts.
Canadiens	12	6	5	80	57	29
Chicago	9	6	6	64	62	18
Toronto	8	6	2	73	78	18
Boston	7	7	3	82	86	17
Detroit	6	6	3	77	77	15
Rangers	1	14	1	55	98	3

Last night's score:
Detroit 4, Toronto 1.

Next games:
Saturday—Chicago at Toronto.
Sunday—Boston at Canadiens; Detroit at Rangers, Toronto at Chicago.

DETROIT, Dec. 16 (CP).—Toronto Maple Leafs missed a chance to go into second place in the National Hockey League tonight when they lost, 4-1, to the fifth-place Detroit Red Wings. Leafs also lost their valuable centre, Mel Hill who suffered a broken ankle in the second period.

Star of the game was 35-year-old Normie Smith, making a comeback in the Wings, goal after five years whence from hockey. Smith, called back to hockey by Manager Jack Adams after Jimmy Rankin was beaten, 8-1, by Canadiens in Detroit last Sunday, robbed the Leafs time after time tonight. He made 37 saves to 20 by Benny Grant in the Toronto net.

Joe Carveth shot two Detroit goals. Harold Jackson and Carl Liscombe one each. The lone Toronto score was by Bob Davidson in the first period after Hill had taken a 3-0 lead.

In addition to Norm Smith, Adams presented three other new players from his Indianapolis farm, Nakina Smith, Red Kane and Vic Lynn.

Hill's injury came when he broke away alone but lost his balance as he skated in on the Detroit goal and crashed into the boards at the end. It was diagnosed as a clean break just above the ankle.

LINE-UPS

Toronto—Grant; Pratt, R. Hamilton; Bodnar; I. Carr, Davidson, Sube, Morris McLean, Hill, Kennedy, J. Hamilton, Boothman, O'Neill.

Detroit — Norm Smith, Jackson, Kazan, Howe, Brunetteau, Brown, Sube Kane Lacombe Carveth, Jennings, Quackenbush, Nakina Smith, Lynn.

Referee, King Clancy; linesmen, Eddie Meghan and Jim Primeau.

SUMMARY

First Period—1, Detroit, Carveth, 6:18; 2, Detroit, Jackson, 13:35; 3, Toronto, Davidson (Carr, Bodnaut), 16:20. Penalty, Lynn.

Second Period — 4, Detroit, Liscombe, 11:27. Penalty: Jennings.

Third Period—5, Detroit, Carveth (Quackenbush), 16:28. Penalty: None.

HAL WHITE DRAFTED

UTICA, N.Y., Dec. 16 (CP).—Hal White, Detroit Tiger pitcher, announced last night his draft board had ordered him to report for induction here December 21.

White, father of two children, has been working in a war plant since the baseball season ended.

Craig Wood Sets Pace

U.S. Open Champion Leads $5,000 Meet

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 16 (AP).—Craig Wood's greater golfing is no wrong today and the duration United States open golf champion from Mamaroneck N.Y., turned in a 68, two under par, to lead the first round of the $5,000 Miami open tournament.

Wood's cool showed eight one-putt holes and except for the 16th, where he missed an easy one, he was sinking them all day with startling accuracy.

Only one stroke behind was Steve Warga, the Miami pro, turned defense worker, who carded 22-37—69.

Ensign Willie Turnesa, the former national amateur winner, overcame the handicaps of blinding rain and a biting wind to turn in a par 70, matching the score of another amateur, Earl Christiansen, the Miami detective.

Sammy Byrd, of Detroit, pre-tournament favorite of his fellow professionals, had a 36-36 for 72, which gave him a tie for eighth place.

In the clubhouse the players were calling it "the putting tournament." Tony Penna, of Dayton, who shot 33-36 for 69, said "anybody can get on the greens at Miami Springs. It's what you do after that that counts."

Lorne Sarazen, of Bronkelvid, Conn., winner here four times, finished in a tie for 20th place with Penna and others. He was the last name player and had a big gallery.

Bay Meadows Racing

BAY MEADOWS, Dec 16 — Results here today follows:

ONE-HALF MILE—Mile and one-sixteenth
Black Sheep (Jones) 23.20 12.80 11.10
Bee Bunny (Thomas) 7.80 7.30
Lady Mistress (Gelasia) 6.20
Time, 1:43 4-5. Also ran: Gardens Gift, Gilbert, Mister Rocket, Big Burton, Mission Boy, Sir Bob, Milk Run, Prince Ole.

SECOND RACE—Mile and one-sixteenth
Pirate Lake (Lenzini) 15.20 12.80 11.80
Ben Ali (Gelasia) 8.80 7.60
Gay Bonnie (Freeman) 7.20
Time, 1:42. Also ran: Isabela Mendez, Gaze Patrol, Bright Day, Sky Ray, Shakiamma, Goal to Go, Bellerick Moon, Sunset Lad, Sunset Lad.

THIRD RACE—Six furlongs
Fine Fellow (Schoenroth) 14.60 10.40 6.20
Kash Boy (Gelasia) 5.20 4.20
Cool Cat (Fleming) 3.20
Time, :1.12 4-5. Also ran: Barrington, Bonnie Bee, Sunset Charlie, Pull Ace, Jamie, Circle Bar.

FOURTH RACE—Six furlongs
Fighting Brave (Schoenroth) 10.40 6.80 5.40
Ruby Ann (Gelasia) 4.20 3.20
Yours Truly (Schoenroth) 3.20
Time, :1.14 3-5. Also ran: Pay-as-Bert, Sunset Pride, Bow Down, Bad Bandoleer.

FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs
Lady Ann (Gelasia) 12.20 6.60 4.20
Gimlet Bow (Jones) 5.20 3.20
Lil Jim (Jones) 3.20
Time, :1.13 3-5. Also ran: Lark, Park Ave, Sunset Lad, Lady Mirror, Mirror Ann, Ann Lad, Lady Mirror Mirror.

SIXTH RACE—Mile Intermediate
Allied Glory (Gelasia) 10.80 7.60 6.40
Dry Fly (Bartolo) 11.60 8.20
Ten Ten (Schoenroth) 6.20
Time, :1.42 2-5. Also ran: Bonnie Ali, Ali Pasquale, Mr. Tom, Gold Pin, Mission Boy, Fleetfoot, Sunset Charlie, Sunset Charlie.

SEVENTH RACE—Mile and sixteenth
Mabel Mae (Gelasia) 17.20 7.60 6.20
Lanky 7.20 6.20
Ben Bell (Jones) 7.20
Time, :1.44 4-5. Also ran: Cocoa, Pepper, Sun Bee, Bee Bee, Cocoa, Pepper.

EIGHTH RACE—One mile
Sierra C. (Gelasia) 10.60 10.20 12.20
Stalwart Sergeant 9.10 7.80
Ed Jr. (Jones) 7.20
Time, :1.41 2-5. Also ran: Ma Pepper, Stalwart Sergeant, Mighty Cat, Ed Jr., Ma Pepper.

OVERNIGHT ENTRIES

FIRST EMPIRE—Six furlongs
Lil Ann 113
Lil Ann 113
Morning 113
Allied Cadet 113
Time 113
Time Admiral 114
Bay Boy 114
Fighting Boy 114
Fighting Boy 114
Chickadee 114
Pen Pals 114
Pen Pals 114
Pleasing Dream 114
Pleasing Dream 114
Quickstep 114
Quickstep 114

SECOND RACE—Six furlongs
Fair Play 115
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Officials Named For Cage Games At Sports Centre

OFFICIALS for the International basketball games tomorrow evening at the Victoria Sports Centre were announced yesterday by Ernie Block, Carl Coates, Gordie Jones and Rev. W. Stewart.

Block will be handling the whistles for the three games while Bob Whyte will be the scorer and Wally Yeamans the timekeeper. It was also announced that R.N.'s Club will be in charge of the sale of tickets, the proceeds from which will go to the Army and R.C.A.F. Sports Funds. The preliminary game will bring together two women's teams, the Rookies taking on the Unitys at 7.15, and then the visiting Seattle Boeings, powerful men's senior cage squad, will step on the court to battle it out with the Army at 8 o'clock and an hour later the Americans will match beakers with the R.C.A.F. present Canadian titleholders. Boxings are bringing practically three complete teams along, which means the fans will be watching a flock of new players in action during both games.

Allied Glory Is $5,000 Winner At Bay Meadows

SAN MATEO, Calif., Dec 16 (AP) — Allied Glory, a grandaughter of Man o'War, won the $5,000 added Lassie Stakes for two-year-old fillies foaled in California, at Bay Meadows track today. It was a six-furlong spiral turned in 1:11 3-4.

The winner, from the Ryanna Ranch of Beverly Hills, Calif., paid $5.20, $4.10 and $3.60. Topsy Bye returned $11 and $6.20, and Bonalita $9.60.

12,000 See Bruins

BOSTON, Dec. 16 (AP).—Boston Bruins outskated the Boston Olympics, their Eastern United States Hockey League farmhands, for a 14-4 victory in an exhibition benefit game tonight for the wounded war veterans in the Chenery Hospital here before a 12,000 crowd at the Boston Garden. Flash Hollett paced the Bruins by contributing three goals and Bill Cowley, Jack Crawford and Herb Cain each scored twice.

SELECT TRAINING SPOT

BROOKLYN, Dec. 16 (AP).—Brooklyn Dodgers will return to Bear Mountain, N.Y., for Spring training in 1944 and will hold most of their workouts in the big United States Military Academy field house President Branch Rickey said today. Players will report about March 15.

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Greyhounds Draw Many

By ALLAN NICKLESON
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Dec. 16 (CP) — Spurred by the Allied juggernaut that rolled toward victory for the past three years, Britain prepared plans during 1943 for an immense peacetime sports programme, while sport itself neared its greatest wartime season.

Along proper austerity styles, sport has continued with the blessing of the nation's rulers, who have always held it an integral part of war-making. They see it as a valve to the strain of a fighting people needing relaxation and entertainment.

Football and cricket continued as the national games but at least one sport—dog-racing—threatened to slip-place them as a major attraction. The crowds and the wagering at both dog and horse races were enormous. A bonzine boom gave Britain a world champion.

While the best brains considered post-war problems and improvements, one especially stood out as filled with Canadian interest. That called for formation of a professional national ice hockey league in Britain with a chain of arenas in every industrial centre.

CRITCHLEY MENTIONED

Players undoubtedly would include scores of Canadians. Calgary's Brigadier-Gen. A. C. Critchley, sports promoter here before the war, has been mentioned in connection with the plan.

Jockey Club and Football League committees are considering into the problem of those sports while 16 of Britain's best cricketers have been invited to conduct postwar prescription, including a possible "pre-up" of the game.

One of soccer's greatest peacetime opponents will be greyhound racing. Confined to one day a week as each of the 26-odd tracks weekly attendance have approximated 500,000 in the last few months, with wagering proportionately large.

The thousands who journeyed to the five horse-race tracks in operation during the season were forced to jam into trains, walk or rise in such conveyances as bicycles and horse-carts. Millions of dollars changed hands in wagering on the season's five classics, including the Derby and the St. Leger.

NEW FLYWEIGHT CHAMP

A "king" was crowned at Glasgow when Wee Jackie Peterson became undisputed flyweight boxing champion of the world and retained his British and Empire titles by knocking out Peter Kane in just 84 seconds.

Lord's cricket centre of the world, catered to service internationals, featuring the best cricketers and replacing the test matches of pre-war days. Professional soccer in addition to regular league matches each Saturday, featured internationals between England, Scotland and Wales, with potter-limits, crowds of 80,000 to 100,000 in throaty attendance.

As Allied settlement continued to pour into these islands, some Canadian and American pastimes as hockey, baseball and softball grew greatly in popularity. But Canadians sprang up almost overnight on agreed village greens and meadows training and proving grounds of the armed forces. Ice hockey, so popular throughout the country before the war, has its vortex in Canadian military and air force districts.

CANADIAN TEAM IN THE

BALTIMORE, Dec 16 (AP)—The Curtis Bay coast guard cutters ice hockey team and the H.M.C.S. York team of Toronto, fought to an even time 2-2 tie last night.

Alaine counters were replaced in the second period, with the Canadians forced to come from behind

Continued to one day a week as each a 2-0 deficit to knot the count.

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City Chess Tourney

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F. Pantlone 1 F. Bringhurst 0
J. Wadsworth 0 N. R. Stewart 1

Standing of Leaders

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
F. W. Pratt	7	6	1	6
N. R. Stewart	7	5	2	5
J. Hobson	7	4	3	4
F. Bruchert	7	4	3	4
F. Pantlone	7	4	3	4

Games scheduled for tonight follows:

N. R. Stewart vs. C. Jones.
A. Skinner vs. J. Wadsworth.
J. Hobson vs. F. Pantlone.
F. Bruchert vs. F. W. Pratt.

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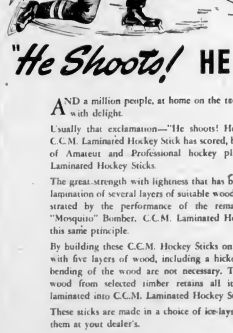

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Novikoff Reinstated

CHICAGO, Dec. 16 (AP)—The office of Kenesaw Mountain Landis, commissioner of baseball, announced today he has lifted the suspension of Lou Novikoff Chicago Cubs outfielder, charged with failure to answer a questionnaire about playing Winter baseball in California.

"The commissioner has lifted the suspension of Novikoff as of today," a brief memorandum from Landis office said. "The matter of the fine to be imposed on Novikoff for post-season baseball activities will be determined at a later date."

MACK'S SON DRAFTED

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16 (AP)—Connie Mack, Jr., is being drafted. The 31-year-old son of the Philadelphia Athletics' manager passed the Selective Service physical examination yesterday and was ordered to report for induction at the new Cumberland (Pa.) reception centre January 5.

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Ice Schedule In Coast Loop

Reminder of the schedule for teams in the Pacific Coast Hockey League, as released yesterday from Nanaimo by Secretary Harry Forward, follows:

DECEMBER

Friday, December 17, V.M.D. vs. St. Regis, Victoria.
Saturday, December 18, C.P.A.L. vs. V.M.D., New Westminster.
Saturday, December 18, Army vs. St. Regis, Nanaimo.
Monday, December 20, St. Regis vs. Navy, Vancouver.
Monday, December 20, V.M.D. vs. Army, Victoria.
Thursday, December 23, C.P.A.L. vs. V.M.D., Vancouver.
Saturday, December 25, Air Force vs. St. Regis, New Westminster.
Monday, December 27, St. Regis vs. Air Force, Victoria.

JANUARY

Saturday, January 1, C.P.A.L. vs. V.M.D., New Westminster.
Monday, January 3, St. Regis vs. Army, Vancouver.
Monday, January 3, V.M.D. vs. Navy, Victoria.
Thursday, January 6, Air Force vs. V.M.D., Vancouver.
Friday, January 7, Navy vs. Army, Victoria.
Saturday, January 8, C.P.A.L. vs. Navy, New Westminster.
Saturday, January 8, Army vs. V.M.D., Nanaimo.
Monday, January 10, Air Force vs. C.P.A.L., Vancouver.
Monday, January 10, Navy vs. St. Regis, Victoria.
Thursday, January 13, C.P.A.L. vs. Army, Vancouver.
Friday, January 14, V.M.D. vs. Air Force, Victoria.
Saturday, January 15, Air Force vs. Navy, New Westminster.
Saturday, January 15, Army vs. C.P.A.L., Nanaimo.
Monday, January 17, St. Regis vs. C.P.A.L., Vancouver.
Monday, January 17, Navy vs. V.M.D., Victoria.
Thursday, January 20, C.P.A.L. vs. St. Regis, Vancouver.
Friday, January 21, V.M.D. vs. C.P.A.L., Victoria.
Friday, January 21, Army vs. Air Force, Nanaimo.
Saturday, January 22, Air Force vs. Army, New Westminster.
Monday, January 24, St. Regis vs. Air Force, Vancouver.
Monday, January 24, Navy vs. C.P.A.L., Victoria.
Thursday, January 27, C.P.A.L. vs. Air Force, Vancouver.
Friday, January 28, V.M.D. vs. St. Regis, Victoria.
Saturday, January 29, C.P.A.L. vs. St. Regis, New Westminster.
Saturday, January 29, Army vs. Navy, Nanaimo.
Monday, January 31, C.P.A.L. vs. Navy, Vancouver.
Monday, January 31, V.M.D. vs. Army, Victoria.

FEBRUARY

Thursday, February 3, Air Force vs. Army, Vancouver.
Friday, February 4, Navy vs. St. Regis, Victoria.
Saturday, February 5, Air Force vs. C.P.A.L., New Westminster.
Saturday, February 5, Army vs. V.M.D., Nanaimo.
Monday, February 7, St. Regis vs. Army, Vancouver.
Monday, February 7, Navy vs. Air Force, Victoria.
Thursday, February 10, Air Force vs. V.M.D., Vancouver.
Friday, February 11, V.M.D. vs. Navy, Victoria.
Friday, February 11, Army vs. St. Regis, Nanaimo.
Saturday, February 12, C.P.A.L. vs. Army, New Westminster.
Monday, February 14, St. Regis vs. Navy, Vancouver.
Monday, February 14, V.M.D. vs. C.P.A.L., Victoria.
Thursday, February 17, Air Force vs. St. Regis, Vancouver.
Friday, February 18, Navy vs. Army, Victoria.
Saturday, February 19, Air Force vs. V.M.D., New Westminster.
Saturday, February 19, Army vs. C.P.A.L., Nanaimo.
Monday, February 21, St. Regis vs. V.M.D., Vancouver.
Monday, February 21, Navy vs. C.P.A.L., Victoria.
Thursday, February 24, Air Force vs. Navy, Vancouver.
Friday, February 25, Navy vs. St. Regis, Victoria.
Saturday, February 26, C.P.A.L. vs. V.M.D., New Westminster.
Saturday, February 26, Army vs. Air Force, Nanaimo.
Monday, February 28, St. Regis vs. C.P.A.L., Vancouver.
Monday, February 28, V.M.D. vs. Air Force, Victoria.

MARCH

Friday, March 3, Navy vs. V.M.D., Victoria.
Saturday, March 4, C.P.A.L. vs. Air Force, New Westminster.

Newfoundland to Have Government

LONDON, Dec. 16 (CP)—The Government reiterated in the House of Commons today its intention to allow Newfoundland to choose its own form of Government after the war without influence from Britain and, through Clement R. Attlee, Lord President of the Council, rejected a suggestion that it be immediate self-government.

Constitution of the self-governing Dominion, Britain's oldest colony, was suspended temporarily in 1933 and the government is carried on by a Commission of Government responsible to the Governments of the United Kingdom.

Headin' Home—Ponies Come Roaring Into Stretch at Jamaica

Headin' Home, These Nags Come Roaring Into the Stretch at Jamaica, N.Y., Track With Roman Flag, Second From Right, the Winner, as the Eastern Racing Season Nears Its Close.

Sport Shorts From Britain

By ALLAN NICKLESON
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Dec. 16 (CP)—Death of George Cook, former Australian heavyweight champion who had more than 500 fights in Britain and the United States, left the ring mourning one of the strongest characters in its history. He died at the age of 49 following a short illness at Surbiton, Surrey.

During a lengthy career — he fought the best heavyweights in the country at 40—Cook met such top-notchers as Larry Gains, Toronto negro who once held the Empire heavy crown; Georges Carpentier and Primo Carnera. He had several fights for the British and Empire titles, none of them successful. His biggest handicap was that he lacked a knockout punch.

Not so long before his death, George, as member of the fire force formed to deal with bombings, told a friend: "They say I'm too old to soldier; however, nobody's too old to fight fires."

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Frank Roe of Stoke City, English-born athlete of Chinese descent, long has been one of the accepted stars of England's professional soccer circuits. Now another Chinese looks like emulating him.

J. Scott-Lee, a Liverpool University graduate, played for Everton against Burnley in the League North match and was the big success of the tilt. Like Roe, he is a wing half. Small but powerful, he should have plenty of natural ability and brain-work.

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When a Coastal Command bomber was forced down in the Atlantic after attacking a submarine, all its crew was lost—except one.

The boy who cheated death crashed by begging soccer a few weeks later when Sgt. Arthur Turner, an air gunner from London, shone at centre-forward for Charlton Athletic of the League South. That means his ambition has been realized.

The chance came when Turner was posted to ground duties after 18 months' flying.

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Bravery while engaged in tunnel blasting at Gibraltar earned the George Medal for L.-Cpl. Terry Hicks, former Welsh junior 105-pound boxing champion. . . . Thirteen times England's diving champion, Wing-Cmdr. C. D. Ronalds has been awarded the D.F.C. for his leadership of a Mosquito squadron. . . . Capt. Robert Mayne, Irish rugby international forward capped six times, has been awarded a bar to his D.S.O. for distinguished services in Sicily.

Angott to Face Ruffin

Important Bout Is Set for Tonight

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Sammy Angott comes back to Madison Square Garden tomorrow night for the second time as lightweight champion to defend his title at Madison Square Garden.

The last time Sweetly Sammy stepped into the Garden as National Boxing Association boss he practically beat the ears off the New York-sanctioned boss, Lew Jenkins, and took both crowns.

For this second appearance the Pennsylvania pounder stuffs his recently-regained N.B.A. bauble in his pocket and tangles with Bobby Ruffin, New York stylist, in a 10-rounder. Although Sammy will be punching at Bobby, he'll really be aiming at the current New York champ, in the hope of eventually ironing out the wrinkles he himself put into the lightweight situation by his retirement a year ago.

At the moment, Bouncing Benny Jack has the New York blessing, Jack has a return bout on the fire with Bob Montgomery, the Philadelphia Bobcat, for some time in the New Year. He also is named to try again on January 7 with Ruffin, who upset him a few months ago—but he hasn't said "positively" about that one.

However, the big man in the picture at present is Sweetly Sammy, mostly because he stopped Willie Pep's winning streak at 62 straight and regained the N.B.A. crown from Slugger White this year. The gambling gentlemen have installed Sammy as a 3-to-5 choice.

Red Deer in Hockey Win

RED DEER, Alta., Dec. 16 (CP).—A two-goal outburst in the third period gave Red Deer Army Wheelers a 4-3 victory over Calgary A-18 Currie Barracks in the Alberta Services Senior Hockey League here tonight. It was the Wheelers' first victory since they undisputed possession of first place.

The two clubs were deadlocked with two victories each before tonight's game. Calgary Tecumseh-Mustangs, the other club in the three-team league, has lost all its starts—two against the Wheelers and Currie Barracks.

The game was fast and clean throughout with only two penalties handed out in the 60 minutes. Both were taken by Calgary players.

Calgary was without the services of two of its leading scorers—Pte. Max Bentley and Cpl. Alex Kaleta. The two, along with Pte. Bobby Cadar, all former big-league players, form Elmer Piper's first forward line.

The visitors scored their first goal 58 seconds after the opening whistle when Cadar and 2nd Lieut. Tommy Anderson combined to beat Sugar Jim Henry. Pte. Bud Emery, 21-year-old defenceman who played with Wheelers last year, scored the army's first goal 13 minutes later and Cpl. Ken Stewart made it 2-1 for Calgary just before the end of the first period.

Second-period goals were split—Pte. Whitey Ronald for Calgary and Pte. Eddie O'Keefe for the Wheelers. Pte. Jack Forney and Cpl. George Pargeter netted the Wheelers' third-period counters.

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Speaking at 12.15 today at an Empress Hotel luncheon under auspices of the Chamber of Commerce aviation committee, F/O. Happy Holmes, D.F.C., returns of 22 raids over Germany, will relate his experiences as a fighter pilot. He will show, as well, action pictures of Mosquito planes in the battle zone.

One of the Canadians taking part in the three world-famed armadas that raced Cologne, Bremen and Essen F/O Holmes has many thrilling personal experiences to tell, experiences that are known to hundreds of boys who have left Canada to fly in United Nations squadrons over enemy territory.

A wonderful opportunity for parents and friends of flyers overseas to hear the story behind their operations," R. H. B. Kerr, chairman of the aviation committee, said yesterday, explaining that the luncheon sponsored by the Victoria body is open to the public. The story and the films will be in the nature of a personally conducted tour of Germany for the audience. It will include shots of Nazi fighter planes defending their land from the intrepid RAF and RCAF squadrons which are giving the enemy a taste of the Golden Rule.

J. V. Johnson, president of the Chamber of Commerce, arrived yesterday from Spokane to complete arrangements for the luncheon and Captain Norman Foster, in charge of tickets, announces that all who wish to attend must pick up tickets before 10 a.m. today. They may be procured at the Chamber of Commerce or at the Publicity Bureau, 1110 Government Street.

Members of the aviation committee in charge are Major R. H. B. Kerr (chairman), J. H. Beatty, H. E. Holmes, W. Mole, D. C. Parrott, Aldermen Arthur Wills, C. Bonner, T. E. Watkins, E. Mellek, D. H. Hannah and J. V. Johnson.

Successful Concert

The feature of the programme presented by the Intermediate and senior pupils of Victoria Wednesday night, Tuesday was "Twentieth Century Blues," a cavalcade of song from 1900 to the present. Received enthusiastically by a large audience it was again presented last night.

"Pop Bingo," a well-performed play, was given by the youthful players, and was especially notable for costuming and setting.

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Police Salary Boost Tabled

A recommendation that constitutional amendments be made at the 1944 City Council thoroughly discuss the cost-of-living bonus question was made by the Police Commission during the last meeting of the year yesterday afternoon. A letter from the Victoria Police Municipal Benefit Association, which has had bonuses for the Federal Government paid on its behalf, accordingly tabled.

Commissioners learned that Vancouver police department bonuses ranged from $4.60 to $12.60 per month, according to salaries and marital status. They also received information that Provincial Police bonuses ranged from $6.51 to $18.42. City police bonuses are $13 for married men and $7.50 for those with single status.

Commissioner W. H. Davies felt that city police were entitled to the same bonus paid by Vancouver, and it was on the motion that it was agreed to recommend a thorough discussion early next year.

Mayor Andrew McGavin congratulated Commissioner Davies on his re-election as an alderman for a two-year term.

"The public had confidence in you and returning you to the council, which performs many matters near to the community. You have made an un-selfishness police commissioner and have worked hard for the welfare of the city," Mayor McGavin told him.

"In regard to criticism about certain promises alleged to be honoured or unfulfilled, I may say that real estate firms have collected rents from such buildings for at least 25 years.

QUOTES PASSAGE FROM CENOTAPH MEMORIAL BLURBS

"To those who have leveled so much criticism at Commissioner Davies, I refer this passage from the writings of Robert Burns. 'Oh, wad some power the gifte gie us to see ourselves as others see us.' It wad frum many a blunder free us, and foolish notions.'

"I congratulate Chief J. A. McLellan and the police force in general. They have done the best that was possible throughout the year. The department has been functioning without ill tempered men who left to join the armed forces. Chief McLellan is a good chief, and I hope he and his officers are always on the job. If it is to my power to grant a 100 cent cost-of-living bonus next year I will surely do it." Mayor McGavin concluded.

"On behalf of the department, I wish to express my appreciation of the support and service of Mayor McGavin and Commissioners Davies and Duncan D. McTavish have rendered throughout the past 12 months," Chief McLellan replied.

"You have carried on during conditions that were probably the toughest of this century. I must not forget the Royal Bank robbery case in which the officers were appointed in record time by two efficient officers," Commissioner Davies remarked.

Commissioner Davies, then asked Chief McLellan to convey praise of the three branches of the armed forces, but co-operation in efforts to maintain law and order. He also wanted to know if they had any informations against any alleged houses of prostitution.

Chief McLellan answered he could find no fault with the extent of co-operation, but said the service police had had no information in connection with houses of prostitution.

"When any building is placed out of bounds, it is the duty of the military police to prevent members of the armed forces from entering such a building," Mayor McGavin observed.

"Attention has been given to a complaint from the Provincial Board of Health about Beacon Hill and Beacholcomb Parks.

"If every person with a venereal disease was quarantined like those who contract smallpox, it would serve as a damp on infection," Commissioner Davies suggested.

In dealing with other general business, the commission granted an increase of $50 per month to inspector Walter Calvert. A request of the police court clerk for an extra $25 per month was tabled until next month. Commissioner Davies reported the department had discontinued the use of street crossing traffic semi-permanent marks on automobile tires.

Commissioner McTavish suggested a general increase of 10 per cent be applied to all police department salaries, that the whole salary question be discussed in detail and that at least 12 more constables be required. The suggestions were tabled until the next meeting.

Statement by Mrs. F. Paterson, trustee. On Wednesday night at St. Mark's Hall it was announced by the prime of planning people and asking them to run for the School Board. I am a member of the executive of the Saanich Ratepayers' Association. This organization was chairman of an education committee which included the president and vice-president. We were requested by the association to interview suitable candidates for school trustee and to investigate any candidates who were running. Consequently we tried to find a farmer from the inner wards who would be aware of the farmers' problems but still serve the school board complete if the voter wants did secede. We also tried to find a businessman and a mechanic from an organized labor group. We refused to consider any candidates who appeared to be biased for or against any teacher or school. I did not make unfavorable or unfavorable broadcast or elsewhere as I always check and reflect first. And I did not 'drag up' the Thomas case. I merely answered a few of the questions asked me by the citizens committee in their visited attack, as me at the school board meeting of October 17.

City and District

Wiring Damaged—Warrins Housing Limited officials informed police yesterday that damage had been done to electrical wiring in a number of dwellings under construction in James Bay district.

Make Donation—A substantial cheque to be donated to the Alexandra Solarium was received at the City Hall yesterday by Mayor McGavin from Gideon's Bowl-Mobile Canteen.

Receives Cheque—Mayor Andrew McGavin received a cheque for bonus yesterday from the Saanich Council towards the cost of the application made by the city to the Public Utilities Commission for lower electric light and power rates.

Tree Removal—Members of the Council lands committee have signed a report giving permission to Edward Bull to remove a magnificent elm tree on the east side of Rosebery Avenue, between Kings Road and Ryan Street.

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Traffic Cases—Six motorists were fined each $2.50 yesterday in the city police court for various infractions of the motor vehicle act. Another paid a $5 fine for failing to make a hand signal. A cyclist was fined $2.50 for failing to have a light on his machine.

Little Damage—An automobile driven by Mary Beatrice McKay of Brentwood, collided with a horse-drawn milk wagon at Bay and Douglas Streets at 7.45 o'clock yesterday morning. Both vehicles and the horse escaped serious injury, but three pints of Grade A milk spilled over the street.

House Entered—Mrs. J. B. Paulson reported to police yesterday morning that her home at 1505 Despard Avenue had been entered by someone who pried open a front window. Detective George Clements found the house in a muddy shoes through the house and a large piece of pie missing from the kitchen.

Decision Held—Mr. Justice A. D. Macfarlane reserved decision in Supreme Court yesterday in the action of Joseph Coyle against William F. McPherson, or alternatively for damages for alleged breach of contract. Through Frank Higgins, K.C., Coyle claimed a life interest in the home of the late Mary McPherson, H. A. Sedgewick appeared for McPherson, the defendant.

Register Protest—A protest against By-Law No 3041 compelling foot merchants to pay $1 for the registration of truck licence was registered at the City Hall yesterday by Cowlitz Victoria Fuel Dealers' Association. The association asked the City Council to remove the fee clause from the by-law and refund all money collected for inspection of trucks.

Dangerous Driving—Trial of Edward Toronto on a charge of driving in a manner dangerous to the public at Quadra Street and Billmore Avenue on December 12, commenced yesterday in the city police court and will be resumed this morning. Constables Ross McKenzie and Ted Simmons testified that the defendant's car struck a street car at the intersection.

Trial Continues—Further argument in the case of Mrs. Ruth Bushby, charged with having liquor in a Chinese cafe at 850 Pleasant Street on December 1, was heard yesterday in Bonbar Elliott, defence counsel, in the city police court this morning. Mr. Elliott spent some time yesterday experimenting with a flask of cold tea and explained the court that the effect of the law of assets upon contents of a sealed bottle.

Inactive Members of Gliding Club Will Go

Victoria and District Gliding and Soaring Club took action, at an extraordinary meeting at the City Hall on Tuesday evening, to strike off members who take no share in club activities for three months. After a general discussion it was decided that it was not in the club's interests to retain members who give no good reason for failing to attend meetings.

Plans were made to reorganize work groups under leaders named by J. B. Taylor. A primary glider under construction is to be finished soon, and construction of a second glider is planned. A suggestion that box is to be placed in the hangar. A vote of appreciation was made for the work of E. B. Murdie, secretary-treasurer. Jeff Williams thanked the club for interest shown in film following his accident in the Pacific. Lt. Gordon Ferguson, one of the club members, it was reported yesterday at 23 years presented Ad B. J. Gladden presented.

Announcements

Beltanna Branch, Canadian Legion, Tombola tonight. Nos 2401, 468, 1054, 1416 97, 1620, 2218, 656, 1725, 1284, 1865, 1444, 780, 2252, 1880, 2007, 875 189, 125 2208, 404, 2008, 1843, 2236, 367, 1202, 1526, 2004, 2006, 621, 2200, 1442, 2244, 1, 1, 2910, 1, 2360, 879 2152 75, 2974.

Sunday school prize giving at Bethesda (E.U. Oak Bay Avenue, for Friday, December 17, has been cancelled owing to prevalent sickness.

The Wishbone—Dengue and country room 11.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. Elsetbone room.

Tays English, at Robertson's Antiques, 605 Courtney Street.

Military Hospital Promised Victoria

Minister of Pensions and National Health Hon. Ian Mackenzie will recommend to the Federal Government that a new wing for returned soldiers be built at either Royal Jubilee or St. Joseph's Hospitals, it was announced yesterday by R. W. Mayhew, M.P.

He told Robert Knight, Canadian Press correspondent, that the minister had informed Mr. Mackenzie "Our hospitals are overcrowded," and the minister had promised to ask the Cabinet for permission to go ahead with the new memorialized.

Plans for a $350,000 addition to Shaughnessy Military Hospital in Vancouver, which Mr. Mackenzie caused some anxiety on the part of the Victoria Branch of the Canadian Legion and Mr. Mayhew, who claimed that Victorians would be obliged to go to the Mainland for treatment, and immediately Mr. Mayhew was appointed spokesman for Victoria and asked to bring the matter to the attention of the Federal minister.

There is a possibility, Legion members stated, that the new wing will be financed to build military wards at St. Joseph's Hospital as entire floor has been turned over to members of the armed forces. The original building opening into Collinson Street is outdated and will eventually be replaced with a entirely new building.

If grants are obtained for a new wing at Royal Jubilee Hospital it will be entirely separate from the maternity wing here.

The latter is being assisted by a grant from the Provincial Government.

Rotarians Shown Northland Films

C. R. D. Ferris entertained members of the Rotary Club at a luncheon meeting on Thursday, at the Empress Hotel, when he showed some unusual coloured films. The pictures showed the Northland and many scenes were shown of Percy Island Gardens, and a pack train taking the mountain trail to Metlakatla Lake.

Other pictures showed mines of Northern British Columbia, particularly Premier, and the Mission, and the making of a mine. Mr. Ferris was faithfully portrayed on the screen. Very beautiful were the slides shown of a trip to Chuckemin Glacier. George Alexander, chairman, expressed thanks to Mr. Ferris for his entertaining and instructive movies.

Major Ralph Ross addressed the members urging greater support of the Victoria Boys' Band Concert which, he said, "is facing a crisis and must have adequate funds to back up the concert." Rev. J. C. Brown asked that every member of the club attend the concert, which is also of the Navy League of Canada, and that there is a drive for 20,000 active members during the year in the Victoria branch.

Visiting Rotarians included Louis T. Mervin, Portland; A. E. Mahony, Vancouver; Jack Arnold, Bremada, and Earl Rogers, Vancouver.

Province Prays For Churchill

"All Anglican churches throughout the diocese of British Columbia, (Victoria) in prayer Sunday for the recovery of Prime Minister Winston Churchill This was the decision for the whole Empire stated Bishop H. E. Sexton yesterday.

All churches of every denomination will hold special prayers at their regular services. Remaining British Columbia, for the rapid recovery of the Premier, Archbishop Bishop John C. Cody announced that Rev. A. Cathedral churches of Victoria and the whole Island will offer special prayers at their services tomorrow. Rev. J. C. Jackson, chairman of the United Church of Victoria, stated that the United Church will also offer up prayers for Churchill's recovery.

As in Victoria, Vancouver church members of all denominations will join in prayer for the Prime Minister.

Civil Defence

ARP workers of District 1 Saanich, will have their annual meeting starting tonight at 8 pm today at the Saanich Hall.

At 7.30 tonight, warden and friends of District 1 staff hold a dance in the Saanich Hall. Bring Refreshments will follow a variety concert.

Ask Ceiling Removal

Nelson Committee Council has requested that the prime minister be asked to remove a ceiling on wood for prices in North Cowichan municipality. The council stated that it would be difficult to apply Dunvan Fuel prices to the municipality. The council had previously endorsed the Nelson resolution by the fuel control office for North Cowichan. Those ceilings made no allowance for mileage hauled by wood trucks.

WARD FOR LIBERALS

Newly-organized Saanich Ward Four Liberal Association are President Mrs. Hart, honorary president; Mrs. Nancy Hodges, M.L.A., honorary vice-president; F. A. Carter, president; T. E. Johnstone, vice-president; Mrs. L. Smith, secretary; Mrs. W. Bishop, treasurer; and an executive board consisting of Mrs. J. Wallace, Mrs. J. McPhee, Mr. M. Ogden, Dr. C. B. Hill and J. A. Johnstone. Representative to the federal committee are Dr. Hall and T. A. Johnstone.

Rev. M. Coleman Tells of London

Members of the Lions Club at yesterday's luncheon in Spencer's dining-room were visibly stirred when the Rev. Michael Coleman, Church of England, missioner for the Diocese of British Columbia, spoke on "London." Introduced by Jack Puller, president, Mr. Coleman spoke of the spirit he witnessed in the London blitz of October, 1940.

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Macadam Speaks Of Commonwealth

On his first visit to Victoria since 1941, Hon. Ian Macadam, secretary of the Royal Institute of International Affairs, London, warned against unjustified optimism on the progress of the war.

Interviewed yesterday at the Empress Hotel, Mr. Macadam said that "the Allies are not yet in a position to take over, on Japanese-held islands gave a foretaste of the bitterness of the coming struggle in Asia."

Mr. Macadam spoke last night on "The Place of the Commonwealth in the Post-war World," at a meeting of Victoria Branch, Canadian Institute of International Affairs. at the Union Club. This address and previous one on "Post-war Problems" were not for publication.

Questioned on activity of "Victory Through Air Power," Mr. Macadam had no direct comment to make, but said that his present travels had showed him the value of air-power. He left for Ottawa Saturday, on Tuesday, in Vancouver on Wednesday and was in Victoria on Thursday.

The British people would now endure any effort, he said, "Everything was grab in many ways but the spirit of Britain remains." Canada had Canada's war effort was wholeheartedly supported. Mr. Macadam said that one-half their bread and three-quarters of their butter and bacon came from Canada.

Mr. Macadam wished to make no comment on the recent speech of General Smuts, but said that he did not agree with some of his points, especially regarding "balance of power" system in Europe.

Mother of military interest in Britain and the Dominions were continually discussed, Canada and the Dominions' high commissioners, he said. Frank discussions on Commonwealth agricultural policies had been held.

RELATIVE ACTIVITIES OF CHATHAM HOUSE

At Chatham House, London, headquarters of the RIIA, three-day conferences on international affairs had been given for over a year for Canadian officers. Mr. Macadam said General A. G. L. MacNaughton had been present at most of the courses and Hon. Vincent Massey, Canada's High Commissioner, had participated every many of them.

Prominent persons had spoken on such subjects as the Balkans, Indonesia, and Europe under Hitler. Representatives of Canada, Australia, British and United States officers had attended these groups.

It was appropriate, Mr. Macadam said, that Canadians should be visiting at Chatham House as the building had been given to the Royal Institute by Mrs Carnegie, the late Colonel and Mrs. Leonard, Colonel Leonard was an Ontario mining man.

Chatham House was named after Lord Chatham, British Prime Minister at the time of the British wars against the French in Canada. Campaigns were planned in Chatham Walls, says Mr. Macadam, in the office he now occupies.

Mr. Macadam is to attend a conference of the Institute of Pacific Relations in New York next month. He crossed the Atlantic earlier than other British delegates so that he would address Canadian Institute branches. He also made arrangements in Toronto for the publication of the Royal Institute's journal there. It was formerly published in London.

After a few days visit in Victoria, Mr. Macadam will join his wife and children at Portland, Ore.

Pigeon Saved British Force

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—A pigeon saved a British brigade in Italy from serving as targets for a bombardment of Allied bombers, the United States Army reported today.

The pigeon was released by an officer in the Allied Mediterranean Air Command to inform the Allied bombers that the British were serving as targets for a bombardment of Allied bombers

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1 BIRTHS

BATES—To Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bates (nee Ruth Ashley), Victoria, B.C., at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, December 15, 1943, the gift of a son, Dennis Richard Ashley.

O'HARA—Born to L.A.C. Charles P. and Mrs. O'Hara, a son, Victoria, December 14, 1943.

OGLER—On December 14 at St. Joseph's Hospital, Comox, to Tony (nee Bertrand), wife of Pte. Jack H. Ogler, R.C.A.M.C., a daughter, Deborah Ruth. (Winnie Adams cap.)

TURNBOUL—To Pte. and Mrs. E. L. Turnbull, formerly of the Royal Canadian Regiment, Sydney, December 13 at Victoria, a daughter.

WHITEWILL—To Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Whitewill at Fort Saskatchewan, Saturday, Dec. 15, 1943 a son. Born doing well.

2 DEATHS

ROLLITO—At Royal Jubilee Hospital on December 16, 1943, John Russell Rollito, aged 78 years. Late of 1427 Rockland Avenue. He was born in Ireland and came to this city in the year 1912. He was a grocer by trade. The late Mr. Rollito is survived by his wife Mrytle in Victoria, his son Ernest in Victoria, his sister Aubrey, Georgina, and Leslie, in Victoria, and his brother Ernest in Victoria and another and one sister in England. The remains are resting at McNeil Bros. Funeral Chapel, where the funeral service will be held on Saturday afternoon, December 18, at 2 p.m. Rev. Canon Coombes officiating. Interment at Colwood Burial Park.

CLUTE—Passed away on December 15, 1943, at 2142 Government Street, Mr. Ernest Clute, aged 78 years. Late of Victoria. He was born in Ontario and came to this city from Nanaimo in the year 1911. The deceased is survived by his wife, Ethel; Bessie, Beatrice, Ernest, Madeline, Jack, Jean, Ruth, Jim, Pat Paul, Mrs. Smith, Carolyn, also three grandchildren, Ernest, Ronald and Ann. The remains are resting at the Funeral Chapel of the I.O.O.F. also a valued member of the Pythian Sisters.

The funeral will be held in Burnaby B.C. Funeral Chapel on Saturday, December 18 at 2 p.m. Rev. Canon Coombes officiating. Interment in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

CREED—There passed away at his family residence, 1240 Richmond Avenue, on December 15, 1943, Mr. Herbert Creed, aged 78 years. Late of Victoria. He was a native of Ontario and came to this city 40 years. He is survived by his husband, Mr. Herbert Creed; his sister, Mrs. Ethel Hoskins, Victoria; his brother, Mr. Arthur Creed, Victoria, and Mrs. A. Graham, of Toronto. The funeral will be held on Saturday, December 18, 1943, Rev. Stuart and Mr. A. Hampton officiating. Interment at Ross Bay Cemetery.

BROWN—Thirty passed away on Wednesday, December 15, 1943, at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, Mr. Thomas Brown (Brown Brothers), aged 78 years. Late of 1010 Rockland Avenue. He was a native of Ireland and came to this city 40 years ago. He is survived by his wife, Mary; Mrs. Ethel Brown, Victoria; Mrs. Mary Bassett, Montreal, Quebec; Mrs. Ethel Bassett, Victoria; Mrs. Ethel Bassett, Victoria; Mrs. Ethel Bassett, Victoria; Mrs. Mary Bassett, Montreal, Quebec; Mrs. Ethel Bassett, Victoria; Mrs. Ethel Bassett, Victoria; Mrs. Ethel Bassett, Victoria

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Canadians Still in Line; Moro Battle Undecided

WITH THE CANADIANS IN ITALY, Dec. 15 (Delayed) (CP).—The Moro River battle is still undecided after ten days and nights of bitter fighting. It has been a hard fight and casualties have not been light, but Western Canadian units, which played an important part in building up the strong bridgehead the Canadians now hold, are still in the line. Their positions in some cases are only 100 yards from German machine-gun nests.

Shells and mortars pound the bridgehead from early in the morning until dusk, which is followed by a blistering fire and followed by a counter-attack. But there is consolation to knowing that the Germans are being pushed back, no matter how slowly, and for every shell that falls on the Canadians' lines scores fall on the Germans.

"This is major league stuff and the Germans are fighting every inch of the way," said Capt. R. J. Graham, of Winnipeg, the adjutant of one unit. "It would be nice to tell you that this is an easy fight and we are coasting along, but this business is tough."

The unit's second in command, Major R. D. Clark, of Vancouver, nodded his agreement, and other men in the same house serving as battalion headquarters had no argument either.

Headquarters is some distance behind the "front" where the battalion's colours is with his men and "doing a whole of a job," according to Clark. In those front positions soldiers by-the-middle of the second week under fire go unshaven and unwashed and draw a burst of fire from enemy machine guns every time they move.

MATERIAL MOVED BY MULE TRAINS

Clark said food, water and ammunition are being sent forward to the troops by mule, while the wounded have to be passed out by hand to the road where ambulances and jeeps pick them up. Possibility of establishing a mobile bath in the headquarters near so that the soldiers can wash off the grime is being considered.

Pte. H. J. Fleming, of Vancouver, a dispatch rider in headquarters, thought riding the roads under shell fire was "lots of fun," but his uncle as he said it was grim. Sgmn. E. M. Field, of Kelowna, B.C., commented "the only thing hot about sunny Italy is the shells."

Cooking lunch in the open gives armor from the adjutant's table. Pte. Herbert Hetmsol, of Moose Jaw, remarked: "The boys are getting used to eat—or at least I think they are."

Capt. G. T. Harris, of Edmonton, the adjutant of another battalion with headquarters nearby, said the men of his unit were not so bothered as the other Westerners, and one lot and two cold meals are being sent in them daily by carriers in shrilling and wheeled vehicles at night.

"We even sent them a three-quarter-ton truck loaded with oranges yesterday, and are planning to send up another tomorrow," he added.

W. R. Campbell, of Edmonton, intelligence officer of the battalion, wind signalment include W. H. South, Kilsyth, Alta.; L. E. Arnold, Edmonton, and W. K. Grassl, Edmonton. Pte. C. A. Bonagore, of Edmonton, another intelligence man, was used as an interpreter during the British campaign.

Smith, who repairs lines from headquarters to the front and the rear, was out under fire three times today and once at night. Grassl, driver of the signals truck said conditions are "pretty warm, but the lifts in to keep down cover and don't stick out your neck."

Bombs Away—Over Munster

Made from one of the planes that participated in the mission, this photo shows Flying Fortresses loosing a cascade of bombs on Munster, Germany, during a raid. The Fortresses, based in England, dropped more than considerable damage to German munitions plants.

Your Health and Your Weight

Jas. W. Barton, M.D.

VEGETABLES AND OVERWEIGHT

A few years ago if a physician were asked about a diet to reduce weight he simply told the patient to eat less food or to eat less bread, butter and potatoes. However, now that overweight is known to be a serious condition from the standpoint of health and of life itself, the physician gives more thought to his advice to overweights. He usually advises less fat foods, less starch foods and sugar foods, and less bread and potatoes. In contrast he may advise the patient to eat all the vegetables and fruits he wants.

However physicians who do special work in overweight and underweight tell us that it is a mistake to classify all vegetables as suitable in a reducing diet. Thus there are some vegetables that contain only 3 or 3 per cent of carbohydrate—starch—which is a fat former in and on the body, and others that contain nearly 20 per cent.

We may not think of the various parts of a vegetable as vegetables that are commonly eaten. Thus we eat the flower in cauliflower, the leaf in cabbage or spinach, the stem in asparagus and celery, the fruit in tomatoes and cucumbers, the pod in peas and beans, and the root in potatoes. It is the amount of starch contained in the part of the vegetable or fruit we eat that is important in considering a reducing diet.

The fact that some vegetables are bulky—cabbage, spinach—and yet contain but a small amount of starch, is the reason that all reducing diets have spinach, cabbage, celery, and lettuce on the daily menu. Bulky vegetables are valuable additions to reducing diets, because they fill the holes and corners in an empty stomach. Roughly, a 3-ounce helping of any of the low starch vegetables—such as spinach, lettuce, or cabbage, lists an energy or food value of 30 calories. A serving only one ounce of root and seed vegetables—such as potatoes, parsnips, peas and beans has an energy or food value of 30 calories. Thus when vegetables are recommended as a reducing diet, it can readily be seen that the leafy, not the root vegetables, should be eaten in larger quantities.

For many years the treatment of diabetes was entirely diet and starch and sugar must be reduced in the diabetic diet the various textbooks on diabetes give lists of the starch foods that should or should not be eaten to prevent the accumulation of sugar in the blood to be thrown out in the urine.

Vegetables are placed in three grades according to the amount of percentage of carbohydrate—starch and sugar—they contain.

Grade I vegetables containing less than 5 per cent carbohydrate are artichokes, Jerusalem artichokes, asparagus, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, celery, cress, cucumber, French beans, lettuce, marrow, mushrooms, pumpkin, spinach, Spring greens, onions, tomatoes, turnips, turnip tops and water cress.

Grade II vegetables containing 5 to 10 per cent carbohydrate are beans, beets, fresh peas, Spring onions.

Grade III vegetables, containing more than 10 per cent carbohydrate are parsnips (13 per cent), tinned peas (16 per cent), tapioca beans (17 per cent), butter beans (17 per cent), potatoes (18 per cent), dried peas (19 per cent), potatoes, old boiled (20 per cent).

Cooking makes a difference in that baking in the skins preserves the amount of carbohydrate present and other food elements also, whereas in boiling it is estimated that from one third to one-half of the carbohydrate passes into the water. The longer the boiling the less the carbohydrate. This water soaking—tapes is used as a foundation for soup for other members of the family.

Smuts Is Reported Churchill Deputy

By GAULT MacGOWAN
North American Newspaper Alliance

CAIRO (By Cable)—The revelation that Field Marshal Jan Smuts, Premier of South Africa and one of the most eminent British figures in this war has been promoted to take over responsible duties in the British War Cabinet during the possible absence of Prime Minister Churchill overseas, has aroused considerable interest in South African circles here.

The British war effort based on Africa has given Marshal Smuts tremendous and his Mediterranean policy is imparting confidence in his ability to direct the imperial through vastly wide Mr. Churchill is away.

There is not another close student of African relations in Europe "look underfully" comparable to Marshal Smuts, excepting Mr. Churchill. Meanwhile, national affairs in South Africa will soon require Marshal Smuts to return there. South Africans, also conscious of the present honor, are desirous, but to lose their Premier indefinitely. They feel he should be home shortly, in take charge and so justify the recent overwhelming election results in his favor. Another impelling reason for his speedy return is that the South African Parliament reassembles in January.

A settled style of behavior is a forced issue; if one does not determine himself it will be decided by the steady deepening of habit.

Used Humans in Poison Gas Test

LONDON Dec 16 (CP)—Aneta Netherlands news agency, said today that a young Netherlander who escaped from Germany last Spring had given to one of its correspondents an account of how the Germans had used civilian and war prisoners as human guinea pigs to test poison gases.

The agency quoted the young Netherlander as saying he was taken from Mauthausen concentration camp to a large building containing laboratories and gas chambers—concrete enclosures with windows of thick glass through which German chemists and physicists observed the reactions during the experiments.

He and 27 other men were forced to undress and undergo three experiments, he was quoted as saying.

In the third test, lasting an hour, Aneta said, the men began to reich, became dizzy and almost unconscious and had to be carried out. Being flayed from their mouths, ears and nostrils, Aneta said, and the Germans took X-ray photographs of their stomachs and lungs.

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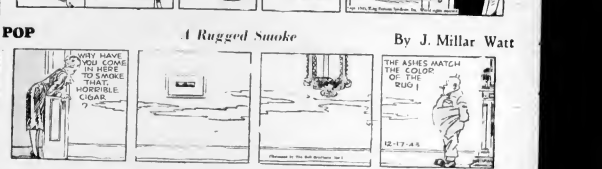

MUTT AND JEFF *Jeff Awakened Too Soon* By Bud Fisher

FLYIN' JENNY *Bow . . . and Back Up!* By Keaton and Chaffin

THE NEBBS *Unhappy Thought* By HESS

BLONDIE *Catechism of Matrimony!* By Chic Young

Finance—Commerce—Markets

New York Stocks

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP).—Liquor stocks went on another climbing spree in today's market, while rails and many leaders failed to imitate, motors, rubbers and scattered blue chip industrials pushed up after considerable early hesitancy.

After midday as talk of further whisky dividends and rising earnings of sparkling water and ginger ale components encouraged buyers, Crains raised from 1 to more than 5 points for favorites, although a number ended under the day's best. Chesapeake & Ohio and preferreds of its affiliate, Alleghany Corp., weakened in the morning following refusal of the I.C.C. to permit the former to pay a dividend in stock. Three cut declines at the last, Chrysler, Consolidated Edison and Sears, R. H. Macy, Allied Chemical, Anaconda, Bethlehem Steel, Douglas Aircraft, Boeing Aircraft, Bendix Aviation, Curtiss-Wright, Columbia Gas, Cities Service, Eastman Kodak, Eastern Air Lines, Gen. Motors, Gen. Electric, Gen. Foods, Glidden, Goodyear, Goodrich, Gen. Baking, Gen. Cigar, Hudson Motor, Int. Harvester, Kennecott, Loew's, Lockheed, Mid-Continent Petroleum, Nat. Dairy, Nat. Biscuit, Nat. Cash Register, Nat. Lead, Nat. Power & Light, N.Y. Central, Nor. Pacific, Penney, Phillips Petroleum, Pullman, Pure Oil, Reo, Reynolds Tob. "B", Simmons, Socony-Vacuum, Standard Oil of Calif., Standard Oil of N.J., Stone & Webster, Studebaker, Texas Co., Texas Gulf Sulphur, Union Carbide, Union Oil, United Aircraft, United Corporations, U.S. Steel, Warner Pictures, Westinghouse, Woolworth, Yellow Cab, Zenith, Amer. Tel. & Tel., Amer. Water Works, Consol. Edison, Int. Nickel, Int. Tel. & Tel., Pennsylvania, Pepsi-Cola, Phelps Dodge, Radio, Standard Brands, Stand. Oil of Ind., Stand. Oil of N.Y., Swift, Texas Pacific, Twentieth Century Fox, Union Pacific, United Fruit, U.S. Rubber, U.S. Smelting, U.S. Steel, Western Union, Westinghouse Electric

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London Stocks

LONDON, Dec. 16 (AP)—British stock closings, in sterling: Austin Motor "A," 24s 9d; Babcock & Wilcox, 47s 6d; Bools, 41s 3d; Consl Mining, 31s ½; Consol. Gold, 57s 6d; Courtaulds, 41s; Crown, 42s; De Beers, 118½; East Geduld, 49½; H.B.C., 60s; London-Midland, 132½; Metal Box, 86s 3d; Mex Eagle, 6d; Mining Trust, 3s 9d; Rand, £1½; Springs, 18s

Bonds: British 2½ per cent Consols, £70½; British 3½ per cent War Loan, 103 3-16; British Funding 4s 1960-90, 113 5d.

DEPOSITS OFF

OTTAWA, Dec 16 (CP)—Dominion Government deposits decreased $38,551,000 to $23,471,000 during the week ended December 13, the Bank of Canada reported today in its weekly financial statement. Chartered bank deposits decreased $8,438,000 to $3,716,114,000 and notes in circulation continued their long-term upward climb, increasing $5,590,000 to $887,747,000.

By the end of 1942 Britain had sent to Russia 70,000,000 rounds of small ammunition for army purposes alone, and 50,000 tons from her precious stocks of rubber.

Stocks and Bonds

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Aluminum Ltd	.....	100
Beatty Bros "A"	33	35
Bell Telephone	156	160
B.C. Power "A"	21	23
B.C. Power "B"	23½	25
Bathurst Power	25½	27½
Bruck'n Silvertown	25	28
Burlington Steel	16	18
Canadian Canners	38	39
C.P.R.	9	9½
Can. Breweries Ltd	36½	37
Can. Mining & Smelting	41	42
Famous Players	20½	20¾
Gen. Steel Wares "A"	7½	8½
Gen. Steel Wares "B" Pfd	47	50
Imperial Oil	18½	19
Imperial Tobacco	18¾	19
Int. Metal Indust "B" Pfd	84	90
Int. Nickel Canada "A"	34½	35
Int. Nickel	34¾	35
Int. Petroleum	21¾	22
Massey-Harris	17½	18½
Montreal L.H. & Power	8½	9
McColl-Frontenac	46	48
Page Hersey Tubes	40	42
Steel of Canada "B"	17	18
Steel Co. of Canada	32	33
Sherwin Williams Co. of N. W.	98	100
Bank of Montreal	104	107
Royal Bank	175	180
Canadian Bank of Commerce	131	135

Foreign Bonds

	Bid	Asked
Argentine 4s - 1971	43 ½	45
Australia 5s - 1955	87 ½	89 ½
Brazil 8 - 1937	16 ½	17 ½
Bulgaria 4s - 1968	13 00	15 00
Chile 6s - 1960	18 25	18 75
Chile 7s - 1942	18 25	18 75
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War Now in 52nd Month

Reich Quit at This Stage Last Time

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Germany capitulated after 52 months of fighting in the First Great War, mainly because her home front cracked.

Today, a generation later, marks Great War. It has numerous parallels of the events that led to Imperial Germany accepting an armistice in November, 1918.

There is also this big contrast: Germany's home front shows no real signs of breaking up, even though her armies are on the strategic defensive just as they were in 1918.

Germany's obvious strategy is to keep her home front regimented while her armies fight delaying actions and attempt to wear down the United Nations into a compromise peace.

The Churchill - Roosevelt - Stalin conference has crushed definitely any hopes of Nazi leaders that a peace offensive might bring about an armistice that would save the German military machine for another try at world conquest.

NOW IS WAR TO THE DEATH

Now it is war to the death. The grim tragedy must be played through the final act, unless:

Germany's home front again breaks, this time under a sustained aerial offensive that has laid waste the great port of Hamburg and is methodically leveling Berlin.

Germany accepted an armistice in 1918 with her armies still intact, although retreating, and with the battleground on foreign soil.

Germany's Achilles heel was her home front. It cracked.

A similar crackup is much less likely now, principally because the German people have no choice.

What makes the situation worse for Germany this time is that Russia, an awkward giant which was knocked out in the last war after vitally contributing to the Allied victory, now has a streamlined fighting machine that has fought the Germans to a standstill. Already the German armies have been bled whiter on the eastern front by the Russians than they were on the western front in 1918.

Tojo Hopeful

NEW YORK, Dec 16 (?)—The mounting fear of rapidly expanding Japanese strength in the major factor contributing to desperate counter-offensives being launched by the Anglo-Americans against Japan," Premier Hideki Tojo told a general meeting of the Japan Economic Federation in Tokio, the German radio said today.

Departing from his previous series of sermons to his people of growth of peril, the Premier was quoted as saying British and American leaders "are now beginning to realize that the time is imminent when Britain and the United States will no longer be able to check the expansion of Japan's fighting power."

Dwelling on what he said were the factors of Japan's fighting strength and the "rapidly dwindling" resources of the Allies, Tojo said Britain and the United States were now confronted with an alarming dearth of essential war materials, including tin, rubber, quinine and teakwood, were suffering a "sharp decrease in production of iron and steel," and were experiencing an exhaustion of manpower.

Obviously seeking to back up the Japanese home front, Tojo said that by contrast Japan in the past two years has "succeeded in stabilizing its structure for final victory," was rapidly transforming the natural resources of Est Asia into fighting material and was ensuring the enthusiastic co-operation of the peoples of East Asia.

Murdoch Promoted

OTTAWA, Dec 16 (CP)—Appointment of Major William Scott Murdoch, 31, of Vancouver, to acting rank of lieutenant-colonel and to command a Canadian infantry battalion stationed in Canada was announced today by defence headquarters.

Colonel Murdoch thus becomes one of the youngest commanding officers in the Canadian Army. He went overseas in 1939 as adjutant of the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada, was on the Sicilian expedition and at Kiska.

After attending the Canadian junior war staff course overseas he served as brigade major with both the 2nd and 3rd Canadian Infantry Brigades and other general staff positions until June, 1941, when he was recalled to Canada as general staff officer 1st grade with headquarters of the 13th Canadian Infantry Brigade.

$100,000 Blaze

EDMONTON Dec 15 (CP)—Damage estimated at $100,000 was caused when fire broke out at United States army installations at Norman Wells, N.W.T. December 13 the United States Northwest Service Command announced today. Equipment destroyed included maintenance shops, trucks, repair machinery and tires.

There were no casualties and no one was injured in the blaze, which spread rapidly. Cause of the fire is not known.

PATTULLO BACK

VANCOUVER, Dec 16 (CP)—T. D. Pattullo, M.L.A. former Premier of British Columbia is here after a trip to Florida, where he engaged in some deep-sea fishing.

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Cavalcade to Open At Royal Victoria

"Victoria Cavalcade," the final event planned by the Victoria Centenary Committee to mark the 100th anniversary of the founding of the city, will open in the Royal Victoria Theatre at 8.16 o'clock tonight with a cast of 100 actors directed by Stewart G. Clark

Net proceeds of the historical pageant will be divided to Queen Alexandra Solarium and British Save the Children Fund mobile canteen for use in England.

Members of the Victoria Little Theatre and Dramatic School, who undertook to produce the cavalcade for this centenary committee, will stage a repeat performance at 2.30 o'clock Saturday afternoon and 8.16 o'clock the same night.

Corporation Bonds

	Bid	Asked
Abitibi 5s, 1953	55 00	58 00
Acadia Sugar 5½, 1944	101 00	.....
Assoc Tel & Tel 5½s, 1956	91 00	94 00
B.C. Pulp 5½, 1960	90 50	100 50
Bowater Co. 5½, 1960	92 50	97 50
Brit. Columbia 4½, 1968	100 00	101 00
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Can. Vickers 5½, 1949	99 00	99 00
Can. Wire & Cable 5½, 1947	100 00	102 00
Calgary Power 5½, 1960	106 00	108 00
Maritime Tel 5½, 1960	102 00	104 00
Minnes Owens 4½%, 1954	91 00	95 00
Mont. Protestant 4½, 1960	91 00	95 00
Mont. Tram. 4½, 1961	91 00	95 00
Newsprint L. Ltd. 5½, 1952	102 00	104 00
Twin City 4½%, 1962	102 00	107 00

OIL WORKERS KILLED

CALGARY, Dec. 16 (CP)—Gust Cloen, 41, and Bennett Edwin Wells, 43, Turner Valley oil field workers, were killed instantly today; Cloen, when he was overcome by hydrogen sulphide gas at the Royalite No. 1 scrubbing plant, and Wells when he became entangled in the cat rope at Osaka No. 14 well.

Cloen was unmarried and his closest relative is a brother, Oscar, residing in Aldergrove, B.C.

SCARLET FEVER

WINNIPEG, Dec. 16 (CP)—A mild epidemic of scarlet fever is on foot here. Medical health authorities said today 36 cases had been admitted to city hospitals last week.

KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE

WINNIPEG, Dec. 16 (CP)—Joseph Hubert, 87, was killed last night when struck by an automobile while leaving a street car. Police said the driver of the car was William Colbraith, of Rosser, Man.